



**COUNCILLOR BECKY KENT**  
DISTRICT 3 NEWSLETTER  
DARTMOUTH SOUTH - WOODSIDE - EASTERN PASSAGE

**MESSAGE FROM BECKY**

We have so much to celebrate in October – it is both Mi'kmaw History and Women's History Month. And of course – I hope you will all have the opportunity to gather with family and friends for Thanksgiving and stock up on some sweet treats for Halloween!

Fall activities are in full swing – whether your family is getting into the sports season, recreation programs, or enjoying community events like trunk or treats and fall markets, there is so much to do in Eastern Passage!

As always, I encourage you to reach out to me anytime with any of your municipal questions or concerns!

Warmly,

**MI'KMAW HISTORY MONTH**



October is Mi'kmaw History Month. This year's theme is *A'tukwemk aq A'tukowinu'k* –

*Storytelling and Storytellers*, honouring the distinctive, descriptive stories of the Mi'kmaq people. Celebrations began with Treaty Day on Oct. 1, where we recognized the peace and friendship treaties signed by the Mi'kmaq people and the Crown.

Commemorate Mi'kmaw History Month by reading the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's Final Report and think about how you can implement the Calls to Action in your own life, learn about the Mi'kmaw communities whose land you live on and visit Indigenous cultural heritage sites to learn about the traditions, culture, and resilience of your local communities. You can also donate to organizations that support counselling, and other supports for survivors and their families.



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### VETERAN COMMUNITY BANNER PROJECT

The Legion and Eastern Passage & Area Business Association are inviting families from Shearwater, Eastern Passage, and Cow Bay to honour their loved ones who served in the Canadian Military.

The Veteran Community Banner Project is now accepting submissions for banners to be displayed in Nov. 2025. Learn more and submit your loved ones by Oct. 12 at 11 p.m. [here](#).



### NATIONAL FIRE PREVENTION WEEK

National Fire Prevention Week runs from Oct. 6 to 12. This year's theme is "Smoke Alarms: Make Them Work for You". Working smoke alarms save lives by providing early detection and warning in the event of a fire, giving you and your family valuable time to escape safely. Below are some important smoke alarm safety tips for residents:

- Install smoke alarms in every bedroom, outside each separate sleeping area (e.g. hallway) and on each level (including the basement) of your home.
- Test smoke alarms at least once a month by pushing the test button.
- Replace all smoke alarms when they are 10 years old or stop responding when tested.

Residents are encouraged to ensure smoke alarms meet the needs of all family members, especially those with sensory or physical disabilities.

Halifax Regional Fire & Emergency is running a contest from Oct. 6 to 12 to promote National Fire Prevention Week and smoke alarm safety.

Visit our [website](#) to learn more about how you can participate and win prizes.

### YOUTH POET LAUREATE APPLICATIONS

Applications have opened for the 2026 Youth Poet Laureate Program. The program helps young poets (aged 14-18) to hone their writing skills, receive mentorship and engage with their peers on issues that shape our region. [Learn more and apply](#) by 5 p.m. on October 31.



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### EASTERN PASSAGE SKATE PARK OPENING



I am so proud of the Bike Park in the Eastern Passage Commons. It officially opened Monday Sept. 29 with around 100 people of all ages being there to enjoy it and celebrate. It's being said that it is the best in the Maritimes, in Cycle Canada Magazine!

The park is inclusive and meant for anyone who has a bicycle and helmet (no motorized bikes of any sort) and there are lanes for several experience levels.

Thank you to everyone who was a part of for designing, building and hopefully maintaining the park!



### MAIN ROAD DEVELOPMENT MEETING

Join our planning team Monday, Oct. 20 from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. at the Fisherman's Cove Heritage Centre to learn more about a proposal to allow multi-unit dwellings larger than 12 units at 1407 and 1509 Main Road in Eastern Passage.

The open house will be an opportunity to learn more about the proposal and provide your feedback directly to planning staff.

You can find more details about the proposal [here](#).

### LEADERSHIP AND COMMUNITY TRAINING WORKSHOPS

HRM's Neighbourhood & Volunteer Services team is offering free workshops this fall to support volunteers, boards, grassroots organizations, and non-profits in building stronger communities. Workshops run from October to December and cover topics like neighbourhood placemaking, board governance, conflict resolution, and mapping community resources. Sessions take place in locations across the HRM:

Oct. 8 – Boards 101 (Cole Harbour Place)  
Oct. 30 – Navigating Community Resources:  
Asset Mapping 101 (Cole Harbour Place)  
Nov. 5 – Boards 101 (Sackville Sports Stadium)

If these dates or locations don't work, community groups can also request customized training through the Leadership & Community Training Opportunities page [here](#).



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### VOLUNTEER CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

The Halifax Regional Municipality is advising residents that registration has opened for the municipality's 25<sup>th</sup> annual [2025 Volunteer Conference](#). This year's conference will take place on Friday, Nov. 21 from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Delta Hotels by Marriott Dartmouth.

The conference is an opportunity for volunteers to connect, celebrate and learn relevant skills. Delegates representing a variety of organizations and causes will participate in networking activities as well as two training workshops, with sessions such as Basic Financials, Volunteering with the Vulnerable Sector, and Digital Tools & Technology. Participants will also enjoy a keynote speech and a seated meal. This year's keynote speaker is Hope Swinimer, founder of the non-profit Hope for Wildlife.

Early bird registration will be open until Tuesday, Oct. 21. Regular registration will remain open until Monday, Nov. 17. For more information, including a complete schedule, visit [our website](#).

### WILDFIRE SMOKE

It's not unusual to notice the smell of smoke in the air during wildfire season (March 15 – Oct. 15), especially in the morning.

Most of the time, it can be carried from fires burning elsewhere in the province or even farther away. You should call 911 if you see a defined column of smoke, you notice visible flames or there's a new, dark plume of smoke in the sky.

### OUTDOOR COMMUNITY RINK APPLICATIONS OPEN

Applications have opened for the [Outdoor Community Rink Program](#).

This program provides non-profit organizations the opportunity to operate a community rink on municipally owned property. The municipality offers grants of up to \$1,000 to a minimum of seven successful applicants to assist them in covering the insurance cost associated with the operation of the community rink.

The Outdoor Community Rink Program aligns with Regional Council's commitment to advance community-based projects and support residents' ability to participate in outdoor winter activities in their own communities.

Applications will remain open until Friday, Oct. 3. For more information, visit [our website](#).

### YOUTH SERVICES PLAN

The Halifax Regional Municipality is inviting youth to join Parks & Recreation's Youth Services Plan Team and contribute to the development of the 2026-29 Youth Services Plan.

Applications will remain open until Thursday, Oct. 16.

The Youth Services Plan identifies key issues affecting youth across the region and helps guide future youth-focused programs and services, particularly in recreation. Applicants must reside in the region and be between 13 and 24 years of age. For more information and to apply, visit [our website](#).



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### WOODLAWN LIBRARY 50<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY BASH

On Saturday, October 18, from 11 a.m. – 4 p.m. we are celebrating 50 years of the Woodlawn Public Library. The library first opened in 1975 and has been serving our community with programs and resources for all ages with excellence since then! Join us for the celebration:

**11 a.m.** - Speeches and Acknowledgements, featuring Vincenzo Ravina

**12 p.m.** - Catering provided by Divine Dishes (while supplies last)

**1 - 2 p.m.** -Retro Video Games on the big screen

**1 – 4 p.m.** - Music from the Acoustic Song Circle, Red Carpet Selfie Photo Booth and Green Screen Photo Booth, Giant Board Games, Trivia Contest, Button Maker and Cricut Designs, Craft Table

**1:30 p.m.** - Movie Night Chocolate Bar Bingo

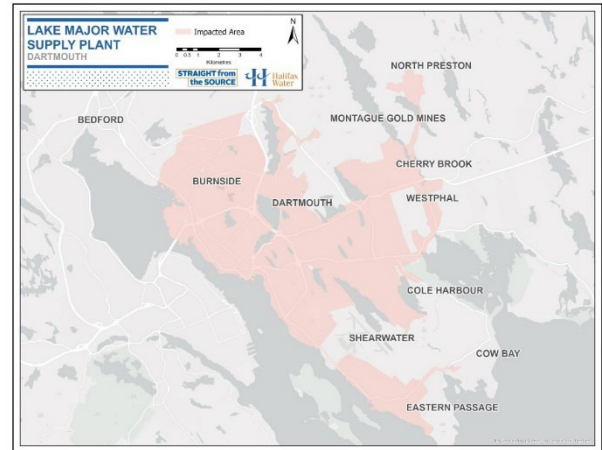
**2:30 p.m.** - Film Screening - *Escape to Witch Mountain* (1975)

Hope to see you there!



It was so great to catch up with our Shearwater Aviation Museum friends at their Re-opening event. So much to enjoy at this museum right here in District 3!

### MANDATORY WATER CONSERVATION



Halifax Water is implementing mandatory Stage 1 water restrictions for Dartmouth, Burnside, Cole Harbour, Westphal, North Preston and Eastern Passage. This is due to the ongoing dry conditions and lack of precipitation. As a result, Lake Major has moved to the warning phase.

In order to conserve water, Halifax Water requests that all residents and businesses supplied by the Lake Major Water Supply Plant stop the following activities:

- Watering lawns.
- Washing vehicles.
- Filling pools.
- Watering golf courses.
- Bulk Fill Stations serviced by Lake Major will be closed

With the move to mandatory, residential and commercial customers are now expected to adhere to these measures. Failure to do so may result in a warning, a non-compliance fine, or suspension of service. See their [website](https://www.halifaxwater.ca) for more information.



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### NEIGHBOURHOOD PLACEMAKING

Applications now open for 2026 Neighbourhood Placemaking!

Apply to our annual municipal initiative that helps neighbours connect through community-led projects in their neighbourhoods. Successful applicants will receive training, guidance and funding for their 2026 neighbour-led project.

Learn more and apply by Oct. 30 on our [website](#).

### INTERNATIONAL DAY OF THE GIRL

Oct. 11 is [International Day of the Girl Child](#), a day dedicated to celebrating the voices and power of girls, championing their rights worldwide, and reflecting on the challenges they continue to face because of their gender.

Canada led the international effort to establish this day to draw attention to the persistent inequalities and dangers that too many girls face around the world. The United Nations subsequently adopted a resolution to formally recognize this important date. Across Canada and around the world, girls are making an impact and creating positive change in their communities and far beyond. They are leading the way as students, entrepreneurs, volunteers and activists, and proving that you are never too young to shape the future and improve the lives of others.

### AFFORDABLE HOUSING GRANT PROGRAM FUNDING

Regional Council has directed the Chief Administrative Officer to allocate \$1.5 million from the Density Bonus Reserve to fund affordable housing projects in the regional centre. The program provides project-specific grants to non-profit and charitable housing providers for new construction, conversions, repairs, acquisitions and studies.

The AHGP supports municipal priorities to increase the supply of affordable housing and to improve and maintain existing stock. Since 2021, the program has awarded \$14 million to create or preserve more than 730 units and rooms of affordable housing.

For more information, read the [staff report](#).

Passage Players Presents

love, loss, and What I Wore

Directed by Joanne Arbuthnott

By Nora Ephron and Delia Ephron

Based on the book by Ilene Beckerman

OCTOBER 16 - NOVEMBER 1  
THURSDAY-SATURDAY 7:30 PM

<http://www.passageplayers.ca>

SimpleTix

### WASTE REDUCTION WEEK

Waste reduction week runs from Oct. 20-26. A full schedule will be announced soon, check out our [website](#) for more details.



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### DARTMOUTH COMMUNITY CONCERT ASSOCIATION OPENING

The Dartmouth Community Concert Association has announced their 69<sup>th</sup> season of concerts, opening on Saturday, Oct. 18 at 7:00 p.m. at Woodlawn United Church with **Jack Chen** and **Rachel Desoer** (flute and cello). Tickets are \$30 (Adults), \$25 (Seniors 60+) and \$15 for students. Individual tickets are available at the door.

For more information, please call (902) 433-1680, or visit their [website](#).

### SHEARWATER HALLOWEEN EXTRAVAGANZA

Join the Shearwater community for their annual Halloween Extravaganza featuring a Trunk or Treat, haunted house, and a drive-in movie with an early showing for kids and a later one for adults. Costumes are encouraged, and attendees are welcome to bring their own snacks. There will be activities for all ages!

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Thanks to the Friends of McNabs Society for providing a wonderful tour of McNabs Island with the Mayor, members of Regional Council and senior staff.

### PERSONS DAY

Oct. 18 is Persons Day in Canada. It marks the day in 1929 when the historic decision to include women in the legal definition of “persons” was handed down by Canada’s highest court of appeal. This gave some women the right to be appointed to the Senate of Canada and paved the way for women’s increased participation in public and political life. Though this decision did not include all women, such as Indigenous women and women of Asian heritage and descent, it did mark critical progress in the advancement of gender equality in Canada.

Learn more about Persons Day [here](#).



Meeting the new Wing Commander, Tara Willis. A strong and caring woman in command!



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### SHARED MICROMOBILITY PILOT PHASE 2 LAUNCHES

Phase 2 of the Shared Micromobility Pilot launched on Sept. 3. The service boundary grows and e-scooters increase from 300 to 600. With more riders and students back to school, ride safe: follow speed limits, don't ride on sidewalks and park in designated zones. With more people using e-scooters across the municipality, it's important to know where and how they can be used.

Under By-law M-300 (the Micromobility By-law), as well as the Province of Nova Scotia's Motor Vehicle Act, here's what you need to know:

#### Where e-scooters are allowed:

- On roads with speed limits of 50 km/h or lower
- In bike lanes
- On multi-use pathways within streets

#### Where e-scooters are not allowed:

- On sidewalks
- On park trails, unless they are specifically signed as permitted
- At speeds over 25 km/h on roads or bike lanes
- At speeds over 15 km/h on multi-use pathways

#### Safety first:

- Riders must wear a helmet
- Riders must be at least 14 years old

E-scooters may also be used on private property with permission from the property owner. By following the rules, we can all help ensure micromobility options like e-scooters continue to be a safe and accessible part of how we move through our communities.

### CANADA POST STRIKE IMPACTS

The Halifax Regional Municipality is advising residents and vendors that the ongoing Canada Post strike may cause delays in municipal mail delivery. As a result, property tax bills and vendor payments sent by mail may arrive later than expected. Residents can learn more or sign up to receive property tax email or text (SMS) notifications on the municipality's property tax [website](#).

If residents have not received their property tax bill in the mail, they can request a reprint at no charge visiting our [website](#). Requests can also be made by calling 311 or emailing: [contactus@311.halifax.ca](mailto:contactus@311.halifax.ca). Note that the September tax bill is due Friday, Oct. 31, 2025. If a cheque was mailed before the strike was called, residents are asked to wait until Wednesday, Oct. 17, before contacting the municipality to confirm receipt of the payment. Response times may be longer than usual due to the high volume of calls and email inquiries as a result of the Canada Post strike. Residents are reminded that property taxes can also be paid by:

- online banking
- cash, debit or cheque at a Customer Contact Centre
- due-date pre-authorized debit
- credit card (fees apply)

Vendors can sign up for electronic (EFT) payments or may email invoices directly to [hmaplink@halifax.ca](mailto:hmaplink@halifax.ca). Cheque pickup may also be arranged at municipal Customer Service Centres with advance notice and valid government-issued ID. For more information, visit our [website](#).



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### WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH

Women's History Month is a time to commemorate the contributions and important milestones in women's rights in Canadian history - creating a better, more equal world for everyone. Celebrate and check out their [website](#) for more information.



National Police Womens Day Celebration

### RIDESHARE AND TAXI SAFETY

Police are reminding everyone of some safety tips while using ride-share services and public transit. A few simple precautions can make all the difference:

- Book through official apps
- Wait in safe areas
- Verify the vehicle and driver
- Use "Share Trip" feature to keep friends or family informed.
- Track your route
- Avoid riding alone
- Stay alert
- Check for belongings

End the ride and call for help if you feel uncomfortable – trust your instincts!



Supporting our Military families at the Bluenose Bienvenue community showcase! So many great vendors, organizations, representatives sharing their information, among music, prizes, games of chance and fabulous conversations. Thank you for inviting me!

### MUNICIPAL ARCHIVES EVENT

The Halifax Regional Municipality is inviting residents to attend one of our Scan-A-Thon events Saturday, Oct. 25, 1 to 4 p.m. at the Halifax Central Library or Saturday, Nov. 14, 1 to 4 p.m. – Cole Harbour Public Library where you can bring photographs, slides or negatives of their neighbourhoods for the archivists to record essential information, then carefully scan them so residents and researchers will have access to a digital copy. Contributors can either keep or donate the original.

Archivists are also available to help residents by phone (902-490-4643) or email ([archives@halifax.ca](mailto:archives@halifax.ca)) Monday to Friday, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Appointments can then be made to consult or donate records at the Municipal Archives. For more information, visit our [website](#).



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### SEMI-ANNUAL CRIME AND TRAFFIC STATISTICS REPORT

On Sept. 3, Halifax Regional Police and RCMP provided a presentation to the Board of Police regarding the Crime and Traffic Statistics for January to June 2025.

The presentation showed that calls for service across HRM increased 7% compared to the same period in 2024, with proactive policing activity (such as foot patrols and traffic stops) seeing notable growth. Crimes against persons were up slightly overall, with increases in assaults, sexual violations, and firearm-related incidents. Crimes against property rose in HRP areas, particularly shoplifting, while RCMP areas reported fewer shoplifting cases but more fraud and theft under \$5,000. Traffic collisions decreased overall, though HRP and RCMP continue to respond to impaired driving and serious collisions.

Find the full presentation [here](#).

### ACCESSIBILITY STRATEGY

The municipality has released the 2025–2028 Accessibility Strategy. It outlines 30 recommendations in six key areas to improve accessibility and representation.

The recommendations are to be completed over a three-year period and represent a call to action to create a municipality that is accessible to all, regardless of ability.

Four versions are available: plain text, plain language, condensed and condensed & plain language. You can find more information [here](#).

### ANTI-BLACK RACISM GRANTS PROGRAM

The Halifax Regional Municipality is now accepting applications for the second year of the Anti-Black Racism (ABR) Grants Program.

Launched in 2024, the program was established to address anti-Black racism through grassroots projects and initiatives.

Anti-Black racism is a form of discrimination uniquely rooted in the history of Black people, informed by the legacies of enslavement and colonization, and experienced daily across the municipality and the world.

Grants ranging from \$500 to \$10,000 are available to support community-based projects developed and delivered at the local level.

Applications will be accepted from Monday, Sept. 15 to Friday, Oct. 31 at 11:59 p.m.

Learn more [here](#).

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

PEHRA is looking for community minded individuals to volunteer their time to help us continue to do what we do!

Any volunteers are a huge help, especially for events! At this time specifically, we are looking for people for the roles of Treasurer and Membership Lead

Please visit [pehra.ca](http://pehra.ca) or contact us on social media



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### SUPPORT FOR BUSINESSES IMPACTED BY TARIFFS

The Halifax Chamber of Commerce has shared an update on new support available to businesses impacted by recent U.S. tariff changes.

In response to the U.S. Commerce Department expanding its list of tariffed steel and aluminum products, the Atlantic Canada Opportunities Agency (ACOA) has launched the Regional Tariff Response Initiative (RTRI), which helps Atlantic Canadian businesses adapt to shifting trade conditions, diversify markets, strengthen supply chains, and improve productivity. Applications are now open. Businesses can also access the Tariff and Customs Advisory Program, delivered by the Nova Scotia Association of CBDCs, which provides up to 12 hours of consulting support from customs brokers to help navigate tariffs, compliance requirements, and supply chain adjustments. Businesses can learn more by contacting ACOA's Business Information Services at [bis-sie@acoa-apeca.gc.ca](mailto:bis-sie@acoa-apeca.gc.ca), call 1-888-576-4444, or register [online](#).

### PARK STEWARDSHIP PROGRAM

The proposed Park Stewardship Program will expand opportunities for residents and community groups to take part in the care and enhancement of municipal parks. It builds on existing initiatives such as community gardens and naturalization projects, while adding new components like Adopt-a-Park and more flexible cleanup opportunities. The program is expected to launch using existing resources, with future program growth to be assessed and reported back to Council as required.

### HALLOWEEN SAFETY

Halloween is just around the corner! We look forward to the fun that comes with this spooky day, but it is important to keep safety a priority.

For those who will be trick-or-treating, limit your street crossings and always watch for vehicles. We recommend wearing bright, reflective, warm costumes and avoiding masks if possible. Trick-or-treat in groups and bring a flashlight or stay in well lit areas. Never enter someone's home while trick-or-treating and make sure to check your candy when you get home.

Motorists, please be extra cautious on Halloween - drive slowly and be careful backing up.

Homeowners, please keep your doorway well lit, and clear of tripping hazards and open flames. Please give out only commercially-wrapped snacks and keep pets inside on Halloween. Wishing everyone a safe, fun-filled night!

### TIPS FOR HALLOWEEN ACCESSIBILITY

Did you know that there are around 400,000 children in Canada who identify as having a disability that may prevent them from trick-or-treating? **Here are some tips to help make trick-or-treating accessible for everyone this Halloween:**

1. If your house has stairs, consider setting up on your driveway or front yard.
2. Move vehicles and other obstructions.
3. Avoid decor with strobing lights or sudden loud noises.
4. Keep pets safely inside the house and away from the trick-or-treaters.



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### EASTERN PASSAGE COW BAY SHEARWATER TRUNK OR TREAT

The 7th annual trunk-or-treat, and the 5th Annual Wayne Harrett Memorial Candy Drive will be held on Oct. 25.

Registration is now open for trunkers, treaters and volunteers. Check out the MoM Society's [Facebook page](#) for more information!



Paws Fur Thought meet and greet at Fishermans Cove - pairing of veterans who need support through service dogs specially trained for their needs.

### CIVIC ADDRESSING CHANGES

Several streets in District 3 have recently been reviewed by civic addressing and will be receiving updated civic numbering. These changes are not made lightly and are usually to combat public safety concerns from emergency management services. Renumbering is not determined through public engagement but with consultation, but through our civic addressing [by-law](#) and [AO](#). While we understand this can cause inconveniences, these renumbering changes are important to public safety and can help with package delivery as well.

### NEW OPEN DATA SETS

The Halifax Regional Municipality has released one new dataset on [Open Data](#), as part of an ongoing commitment to provide public access to data created and managed by the municipality.

### TAX RELIEF FOR NON-PROFIT AND CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS

The 2026/27 Tax Relief Program is now open for applications.

Because the Jan. 31, 2026, deadline falls on a weekend the application deadline has been extended to Monday, Feb. 2, 2026.

Late or incomplete applications will not be accepted.

HRM's website has an overview of the program and the Application Form for those organizations seeking to add a property to the program next fiscal year.

For those organizations already accepted into the program ("Renewals") the web page also has the annual Confirmation Form. This form must be completed and submitted by the stated deadline to avoid a 50% reduction in level of tax relief up to a maximum of \$5,000 per property. Any deduction for non-compliance with the program's reporting requirements will be apportioned between the interim and final tax bills.

Visit our [website](#) for more information.



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### HEMLOCK WOOLLY ADELGID TREATMENT AND MANAGEMENT

Regional Council has approved the Hemlock Woolly Adelgid (HWA) Treatment and Management Plan to protect eastern hemlock populations in the municipality.

HWA is an invasive pest first detected in Nova Scotia in 2017 and in Halifax in 2023. Left untreated, it can decimate native eastern hemlock forests within a few years. The plan outlines how Halifax will survey, mark, and treat hemlock trees, focusing initially on 15 priority parks. Treatment will be carried out by a combination of municipal staff, contractors, and supervised volunteers, using chemical methods that remain the only effective option to reduce HWA's spread. Its goal is to preserve healthy hemlock stands in Halifax for current and future generations. For more information, read the [staff report](#).

### HALIFAX'S INCLUSIVE ECONOMIC STRATEGY UPDATE

Regional Council has received an update on *People, Planet, Prosperity: Halifax's Inclusive Economic Strategy*, which guides economic growth in the municipality from 2022 to 2027.

The strategy has three overarching goals:

- Promote and maximize inclusive and sustainable growth
- Attract, retain and develop talent
- Make Halifax a better place to live, work and visit

Check out some of the exciting progress that is being made [here](#).



### HOUSEHOLD LITTER IN PARKS

Household litter does not belong in parks.

In November 2021, HRM Solid Waste Resources began enforcement of new illegal dumping regulations. Municipal staff enforce enhanced measures related to illegal dumping and litter, including in parks. Penalties range from \$200-\$10,000.

Learn more [here](#).

### 311 CONTACT CENTRE

More than a telephone number, 311 is your direct connection to municipal services. Email [contactus@311.halifax.ca](mailto:contactus@311.halifax.ca) or call 311 and speak to our helpful operators for information about anything HRM-related: property taxes, illegally parked vehicles, recreation services, pet licenses, by-law concerns, litter and more:

**Monday to Friday**  
**8 a.m. to 8 p.m.**  
**Saturday & Sunday**  
**9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.**



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### FEDERAL AND PROVINCIAL REPRESENTATIVES IN DISTRICT 3

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902-462-6453

### BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

I'm pleased to be serving on the following boards and committees along with Regional Council for this term:

Harbour East Marine Drive Community Council (Chair)  
Regional Centre Community Council (Vice Chair)  
Board of Police Commissioners (Vice Chair)  
Appeals Standing Committee (Chair)  
Community Planning and Economic Development Standing Committee  
Canadian Capital Cities Organization

### STREAMING REGIONAL COUNCIL

Regional Council are using a new system for electronic streaming, to find the council videos – go to our [Agendas, Meetings and Reports page](#) and click the meeting you want to view. Meetings will still be live-streamed and videos will be available after the meeting.

### LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Halifax is committed to strengthening its relationship with Indigenous communities and honouring the significant contributions of Indigenous peoples. Another way the municipality has demonstrated this is by formalizing the official Land Acknowledgement:

#### 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.

In Nova Scotia, we are all Treaty People; with that comes roles and responsibilities.

### CONTACT

Should you wish to discuss municipal services or programs, please contact me at **[becky.kent@halifax.ca](mailto:becky.kent@halifax.ca) or 902-478-5368.**

For routine municipal matters, please call our Citizen Contact Centre at 311.

To reach my office, please call Laura Nooyen at **902-490-1577.**

For information on all things municipal, please visit our [website](#).