

# ANNUAL REPORT TO TAXPAYERS



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#### A Message from the Mayor

I am honoured to serve this community for another four years as Mayor and for the next year as the Warden of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry. I would like to thank my outgoing members of Council -Deputy Mayor Al Armstrong who served for 22 years and Councillor John Thomspon who served for 16 years for their hard work and support of this community. The Township will be forever shaped by their impact.

I am very proud of the Township's achievements over the past year and the progress that has been made on a number of large projects. A new Project Updates section has been added to the Township's website under Popular Resources on the home page and I encourage residents to visit the website for more information. I look forward to working with the new Council to continue progress on these projects and to attract new developments and businesses that that will see us secure our regions long-term growth.

It was particularly rewarding for me this past year to see friends, family and the community coming together again at the numerous events hosted by the Township. These activities attract visitors from near and far, some of whom decide to stay and call North Dundas home. I would like to thank those who have subscribed to our YouTube Channel and watch live streams of our Council meetings. The link to the live stream can be found on the meeting agendas and on our website. If you prefer, you can attend in person. The public is always welcome.



#### MEETING COMMUNITY NEEDS

» Several facility upgrades were completed at various locations throughout the Township. All park users can now enjoy the "Ten Spins" installed in the Morewood Community Park, 100 Club Park and Rick Cauvier Memorial Park; as well as additional swings installed in Thompson Park and Harmony Park.

» The Hallville Community Park had Phase 1 and Phase 2 approved by Council.



#### **RETURN OF COMMUNITY EVENTS**

» This year saw the return of so many familiar community events and also some new ones. We would like to thank all of the event volunteers, community groups and sponsors that made this summer such an amazing time for residents and visitors to our Township, showcasing our strong community spirit.

» A special thank you to all the volunteers that help organize Art on the Waterfront, Dairyfest, Canada Day and Winchester Bike Nights in particular, which was a phenomenal success this summer, held on three warm evenings and attracted thousands of riders and spectators to Winchester.

» The Recreation & Culture Department launched the new "kayak days" in Chesterville this summer with five free sessions offering participants a chance enjoy a paddle up the South Nation River to soak up all that North Dundas has to offer.

» Meet Me on Main Street was finally back in 2022 with a truly overwhelming turn out at each of the six events, which included the new addition of Marionville. Over 3,000 people attended the event series, with all enjoying a curated selection of food, drink and outstanding entertainment.



#### FIRE FIGHTER TRAINING CHESTERVILLE

» The North Dundas Fire Service (NDFS) received invaluable hands-on training in April with the Mobile Live Fire Training Unit brought to the Chesterville Arena. Firefighters experienced live flames, extreme heat, high humidity, severely restricted visibility and thick smoke during their real-world training. Thanks goes out to the NDFS Training Committee for spearheading the initiative and to all the local firefighters who took part!

» The NDFS Fire Prevention Committee held a home fire extinguisher sale offering the units at a reduced price to encourage everyone to be prepared in the event of a fire.





# PLATINUM JUBILEE POLLINATOR GARDEN

» The pollinator garden revealed in June was created in honour of the Platinum Jubilee of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II. It features twelve native plant species that will provide food, shelter and pollen to a variety of pollinators, including butterflies and bees. A special thank you to all the students of Nationview Public School who cultivated many of the plants and for the project guidance from Hugh Metcalfe and Christine Enright.

» Be sure to take some time to explore this garden and many others located throughout North Dundas, including Sweet Corner Park and the Scented Gardens.



#### CELEBRATING OUR BUSINESS COMMUNITY

» North Dundas welcomed several new businesses to the community, including A&W
Winchester, Fat Les' Pub & Poutinerie,



Smokie Ridge Brewery, Sheek Shawarma & Grill, Realty Executives Real Estate Ltd., and Abe's Cuts Barber Shop.

#### TOWNSHIP WISHES FAREWELL

» We wish all the best to Doug Froats, Director of Waste Management on his retirement after 28 years and Tom Laplante after 31 years of working with Public Works.

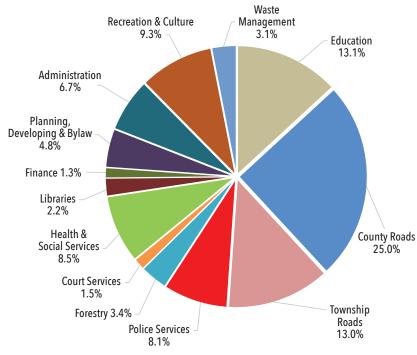
## REMEMBERING THE PAST

» A Look Back at the Past articles published regularly on the Township website give you a glimpse into our regions history and the people who made it what it is today. For instance, read all about the RMS Empress of Ireland, the King Street Fire and Aaron Sweet.

» Read the names of all of those who paid the ultimate price at the cenotaphs and memorials throughout North Dundas. Start your journey on our website, which now details all locations and use the location map to guide your explorations.



# 2022 **BUDGET**



#### SDG COUNTY ROADS IN NORTH DUNDAS 2022 Projects Completed

Inkerman Bridge Replacement Design SDG 3	\$60,000
South Nation River Bridge Rehabilitation Design	\$50,000
Road Needs Study	\$65,000
Hallville Culvert Replacement on SDG 1	\$300,000
Culvert Lining on SDG 3	\$81,000
Paving 3.8km of SDG 3	\$915,000
Paving 4.1km of SDG 7	\$847,000
Paving 2km of SDG 8	\$417,000
East Castor River Bridge Rehabilitation SDG 31	\$977,000
Paving 4.2km of SDG 31	\$107,000
Paving 3.8km of SDG 43	\$788,000

# **GROWTH IN NORTH DUNDAS**

» The declared value of construction continues to be a strong indicator of growth in our region, reaching \$36 million by November 2022, compared to \$66 million in all of 2021, \$32 million in 2020 and \$25 million in 2019.

» There has been a steady increase in new dwelling units in North Dundas, with 105 units by November 2022, compared to 122 units in all of 2021, 81 units in 2020 and 45 units in 2019.

The development is fueled by such **>>** developments as Wellings of Winchester, Cloverdale Links & Estates in Winchester and Wylie Creek Estates in Hallville.

## NORTH DUNDAS **INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS**

The Township has taken a proactive approach to ensure current and future water and sewer demand is met through several key projects:

» Winchester Watermain Looping: Designing a new watermain looping service for the west side of Winchester to ensure continuous supply.

» Winchester Main St. Pumping Station and Forcemain: Upgrading the wastewater outlet for future development forecasted on the west side of Winchester.

» Chesterville Treatment and Reservoir Upgrades: System improvements to provide treatment for water quality issues and additional water storage to meet future needs.

» Winchester Lagoon System Upgrades: Designing a specialized treatment on-site and operational upgrades to accommodate growth.

» Water Supply EA: Solutions to address water supply constraints and improve redundancies for the next 20 years



# NORTH DUNDAS ROADS PROJECTS