



SUSTAINABLE SACKVILLE

Council Briefing

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1. **Phase 1 Update** (Oct.-Dec)

- Survey now closed. Survey report ready in 2 weeks and submitted to Council by end of January for its information.
- Baseline info almost completed with which we are compiling an extended community profile. Aim to have it completed by Jan. 31 and submit to Council for its information.

2. **Phase 2 Launch – Community Engagement** (Jan-Feb)

▪ **7 Wonders of Sackville**

Initiative meant to get people talking about Sackville. TRHS and MMS have students who will be developing posters highlighting some of the best things about Sackville today – it can be anything from the tidal mud flats or the Waterfowl park, to MTA or the ship-building heritage, to the people that have made or now make our community what it is. Nominations can be received in many form (posters, photos, written word, video, etc.) and all will be posted or linked to the Sustainable Sackville page on the Town’s website. Nominations will be accepted until February 12th, and voting will take place the last 2 weeks in February.

▪ **4 key questions**

- 1) Why did you or your family come to Sackville? Why do you stay in Sackville?
- 2) When you think about the future, what concerns you?
- 3) Imagine you are 30 years in the future and you are telling your grandchildren why it’s a great place to live. What do you tell them to prove it? What do you see in your vision?
- 4) As a member of this community, what do you think is your responsibility in achieving this vision?

These key questions will be rolled out in a number of ways - Rotary, Family Literacy Day (hosted by the TFRC), classes at MTA, etc. Steering Committee and Working Group members have also been asked to take them back to their groups and networks, As well, we invite anyone from the community to have a few neighbours over for coffee and discuss the questions – take a few quick notes, and send them in to be included in the overall process.

3. **Sustainability Principles**

Sustainability principles will be drafted by the Steering Committee over the next month or two, based on input through the process. We will present a recommended set to Council in the coming months. These principles can be thought of as the “guard rails” to our road to sustainability.

4. **Tantramar Regional ICSP**

Steering Committee supports working with EOS and its partners to develop a regional sustainability plan for Tantramar including Port Elgin, Dorchester, Port Elgin and Memramcook, at no direct cost to the Town of Sackville.