

COUNTY of ANNAPOLIS

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Active Transportation Plan

Active Transportation Definition (FCM)

Active transportation refers to all human-powered forms of transportation, in particular walking and cycling. It includes the use of mobility aids such as wheel chairs, and can also encompass other active transport variations such as in-line skating, skateboarding, cross-country skiing, and even

kayaking. Active transportation can also be combined with other modes, such as public transit.

Why an Active Transportation Plan

- Active healthy communities improves quality of life experiences and can lead to:
- Healthy residents
- Healthy environment
- Healthy economy
- Attractive communities
- Safer communities
- Opportunities for mobility for all: People of all ages, incomes and abilities.
- New funding opportunities and partnerships

Methodology of the Plan

Hatch Mott MacDonald Consultant

Media promotion and advertisement on web, facebook and local newspaper

County wide public meeting

10 community focus group sessions to assess active transportation

On line survey (Survey Monkey)

(ICSP's, IPSO Reid, Community Recreation Engagement Process, Recreation Interest Study)



Active Transportation Outcomes

Key recommendations of the plan:

Policy
Safety
Infrastructure
Education
Information and Promotion
Partnership

Provided community AT plans for the following ten communities:

Cornwallis, Granville Ferry, Lequille

Carleton Corner, Church Street

Nictaux, Wilmot, Melvern Square.

Meadowvale, South Farmington

Active Transportation Plan-What people said?

- Safer roads for walking and cycling
- Road shoulders that are easy to walk on
- Slower speed limits in targeted community
- Calming mechanism and more crosswalks
- Better linkages and connections in our community

- Easy ways to connect to the rail trail
- Strategic sidewalk development
- Off road pathways that connect people to places they want to go ie parks, malls, to school and to work
- We want to feel safe in our communities

Active Transportation Planning

 Map of Meadowvale



What people said ?

Sidewalk development in key areas

Off road pathways linking to existing parks and subdivisions

Off road pathways and linkages from Jefferson Subdivision to the Greenwood Mall

Cooperation with DND -14 Wing Greenwood regarding pathway

Cornwallis



What people said?

- Perimeter Trail for walking
- Improved sidewalks
- Traffic calming mechanisms
- Better pathways linking to the Fundy YMCA Complex
- Benches and walking maps
- Partnership development with ABCC and others

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Active Transportation

Vision

Annapolis County is a place where residents and visitors of all ages have safe, connected and convenient opportunities to walk, bike and use other forms of Active Transportation that allow for greater mobility in creating active healthy communities.

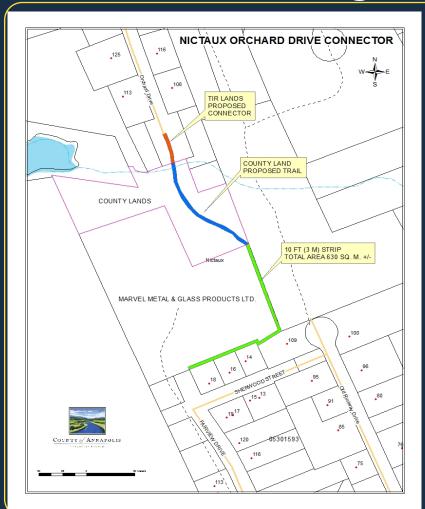
South Shore Annapolis Valley Trail



What have we accomplished? Infrastructure

- Nictaux Scotney Pathway- A 450 meter trail connecting two subdivisions
- Land obtained from the 5 % Parks Levy
- Linear land donated by developer
- County acquired two additional parcels to complement pathway in future. One was donated the other purchased.
- Used Gas Tax funding for pathway development

Scotney Pathway- Providing greater pathway connections linking community to community





What have we accomplished? Infrastructure

- Paved shoulder on Highway 10 from the bridge across the Annapolis River to the top of Howe's Hill to Highway 201 in Nictaux
- Paved shoulder from Howe's Hill along the Nictaux Road to the entrance to the South Shore Annapolis Valley Rail Trail to provide connectivity.

What have we accomplished? Infrastructure

 Paved shoulders on the Junction Road north of Middleton near the Nova Scotia Community College. (NSCC)

 Paved shoulders on section of road on Church Street between Mountain Lea Lodge and the Supervised Homes. (North of Bridgetown)

What have we accomplished? Partnerships

- Worked with Annapolis County Trails
 Society(ACTS) to complete an application to the
 Federal Canada 150 Program to complete the
 section of rail trail from Bridgetown to Annapolis
 Royal in 2017.
- Provide funding to ACTS and the Valley Trails Coalition.
- Once completed this will be part of the Harvest Moon Trailway linking Annapolis Royal to Grand Pre'.

What have we accomplished? Partnerships and Education

Worked with Cornwallis Community Garden
 Association on grant applications to provide
 increased walking events, community walking
 map and purchase and installation of benches
 in the community

What have we accomplished? Safety

Purchase of mobile electronic speed sign
 -2016 (proven traffic calming measure)

Pre Active Transportation Plan

- Purchase and installation of 120 Share the Road signs
- Purchase of Bike Racks

What have we accomplished? Education - Promotion - Safety

Annapolis County Bike Week- annual
 le Bicycle Safety Rodeos and Bike to
 School Initiatives

Bicycle Annapolis County-Guide to Cycling in Annapolis County

Support to cycling and walking opportunities

What are we working on in future? Infrastructure

- Council continues to support capital gas tax investments for Active Transportation improvements:
- 1. Dodge Road Connection-pending NS DOTIR agreement
- 2. Parkers Cove link to Bay of Fundypending NS DOTIR agreement

What are we working on in future? Infrastructure

Cornwallis pathway improvements

 Granville Ferry sidewalk improvements and missing link connection from Public Works Building to the Granville / Annapolis Causeway link.

What are we working on? Education and Partnership

Share the Road Public Education Program

Partnership with RCMP and the Community Health Board

Thank You

