



Community infrastructure includes the places where residents can learn, play, connect, and access municipal programs and services. They include parks, recreational spaces, and libraries, as well as critical services (such as solid waste, energy utilities, and emergency services). As HRM grows and our population becomes more diverse, it will be important to maintain and enhance the community infrastructure within our communities to meet growing needs.

What's in the Draft Plan?

Strengthening Access to Parks & Open Spaces

- Developing a Parks Priority Plan that identifies park and open space needs in existing and future communities. This will help HRM acquire sufficient park space to support the growing population.
- Creating Level of Service standards that ensure everyone has equitable access to parks and outdoor amenities across the Municipality.

Expanding Community Facilities

- Addressing gaps in access to community facilities (including recreation centres, libraries, and playgrounds), to ensure all areas have equitable access to municipal services.
- Exploring ways to incorporate new community facilities in future developments.

Strengthening Food Security

- Allowing residents to sell food that they grow or produce from their own property.
- Increasing opportunities for food production by encouraging green roofs, indoor and vertical farming, and considering future access to food when updating community plans.

More information on this topic is contained in Chapter 4 of the Draft Plan.



Halifax Regional Municipality (HRM) is seeking feedback on the Draft Regional Plan (released June 2023). This Topic Summary provides a broad overview of objectives and policies contained in the Draft Plan. For further details, speak with a staff member or consult the Draft Plan. The Draft Plan is available online and in Halifax Public Libraries.

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