

TOWN OF ST. MARYS



2017 Success Stories & Looking Forward to 2018

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2017 STRATEGIC PLAN ACCOMPLISHMENTS



- Council adopted the Town's Strategic Plan on January 24, 2017.
- Plan is action-oriented, focusing on six key strategic pillars including:
 - Infrastructure
 - Communication and Marketing
 - Culture and Recreation
 - Economic Development
 - Balanced Growth
 - Housing
- Many accomplishments in 2017 to advance the Strategic Plan. See the <u>Strategic Plan Score Card</u> for details.

LOOKING FORWARD TO 2018...



Police Services Transition

- Stratford Police have been hired to police the Town at a higher level of service with less cost.
- Transition to Stratford is currently forecasted for April 2018.
- OPP will continue to police the Town up until that time.

Cadzow Park Revitalization

- 2018 draft capital budget includes the construction of a \$267,000 splash pad in partnership with the Rotary Club.
- 2018 draft capital budget includes funds to construct a pavilion in partnership with the Lions Club.
- Improvements to existing parking lot.



More Infrastructure Projects Planned (pending Council approval):

• First draft capital plan proposes close to \$9M in work. Key projects include:

Project	Cost
Town Hall and Carnegie Library Window Replacements/Repairs	\$287,000
Old Water Tower - Structural Upgrades	\$300,000
Hard Surfacing of Glass Street Extension (Tar and Chip)	\$45,000
Floodwall Repairs (\$130K funded)	\$230,000
Landfill Environmental Assessment, Design, and Upgrades	\$284,000
Waste Water Treatment Plan Upgrades (contingent on Provincial Funding)	\$3,478,000
St. George Street Water Reservoir	\$1,902,000

Many other capital maintenance projects with total project values < \$100,000 are proposed for roads, facilities, storm water, water and waste water



Development, development, development....

- A number of development projects will be underway or in the planning process:
 - Westover Place (Ardmore Ave.)
 - Emily Street (Thames Crest Farms)
 - Stoneridge Phase II
 - 151 Water Street N (former Arthur Meighen School site)

Improved Forestry Management Practices

- Continuation of proactive quadrant pruning program.
- Start of implementation of the Sparling Bush Management Plan.
- Research and drafting of a Forestry Management policy/by-law.

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Official Plan Review

- The Official Plan sets out the Town's guiding planning philosophies.
- The Plan update began in 2017 to ensure that the Town is consistent with the Provincial Policy Statement.
- Looking forward in 2018, the public engagement portion of the update process will finish and a draft plan will be considered.

Recreation Master Plan

- Last recreation master plan was completed in 1994.
- Draft recreation master plan reviewed by Council in September 2017.
- A revised draft is available for public comment on the Town's website.
- After adoption by Council, recommendations will be researched.
- First key action will be the development of a business plan to implement the revenue generating recommendations for the PRC.