



What's Trending?



New
Official Plan
Nouveau
Plan officiel

New Official Plan- All about 15 minute neighbourhood



What do we mean when we say a 15-minute neighbourhood? It is a neighbourhood where you can access most of your day-to-day needs within a 15-minute walk from your home.

A 15-minute neighbourhood is a neighbourhood where you can walk to get to the grocery store, where you can easily walk to frequent transit, and where children can safely walk to school. Walkable, 15-minute neighbourhoods reduce our dependency on cars, promote social connections and a greater sense of community, foster physical and mental health, and reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

We want to learn more about what you need in a 15 minute neighbourhood. Please take a few minutes to complete this [brief survey](#) to help us plan more 15 minute neighbourhoods through the New Official Plan.

Nepean Sportsplex Rehabilitation

The Nepean Sportsplex is undergoing multiple rehabilitation projects. The projects valued at almost \$12 million, began in late 2019 and expected to be completed by the end of 2020. The work includes:

- Pool HVAC Upgrade
- Parking Lot Rehabilitation
- Ice Refrigeration Controls Replacement
- Gymnasium Floor Resurfacing
- Facility Sign Replacement at Woodroffe Avenue Entrance
- Accessibility Upgrades in Washrooms and Change Rooms throughout facility
- Arena 2 Dehumidifier and Evaporative Cooler Replacement



*Photo Left: Paving of east parking lot near entrances 2, 3 and 4 of the Nepean Sportsplex
Photo Right: Installation of new HVAC system in the pool*

Elgin Street Sharrows

The City of Ottawa is introducing sharrows on several of our busiest streets. The purpose of a sharrow – road markings showing a bicycle with two chevrons – is to remind residents to share the road when driving or cycling in Ottawa. Sharrow locations will include Lyon Street, Arlington Avenue, St. Patrick Street and Wellington Street. Sharrows on Ottawa streets means motorists and cyclists must share the road. Do not drive side-by-side on roads with single file sharrows, like those on [Elgin Street](#). Be courteous and safe. Stay informed! Sign up for the [Elgin Street Renewal e-newsletter](#).



Did You Know?

Britannia Beach Dredging Project

Work is well underway for the Britannia Beach Dredging project. This \$3 million project will improve the beach slope and water depth within the buoyed swimming area, creating a more enjoyable swimming experience for Ottawa residents. The work involves reconstruction of the swimming area to include a gradual slope to a 2.4 metre depth basin for the width of the existing beach.

A large component of the dredging project is ensuring minimal impact on the fish habitats and other significant

aquatic species in the area. Just recently, divers successfully completed the mussel relocation, in compliance with Department of Fisheries and Ontario Ministry of Environment and Climate Change regulations. Over 40,000 mussels were successfully relocated at Britannia Beach- who knew there were so many mussels in the area! The project team will be completing the fish relocation in mid-August.

Britannia Beach remains closed for the 2020 swimming season and is expected to re-open for the 2021 swimming season.

For more information about the Britannia Beach Dredging project, click [here](#).



Photo: View of the Britannia Beach, sectioned off for the dredging project

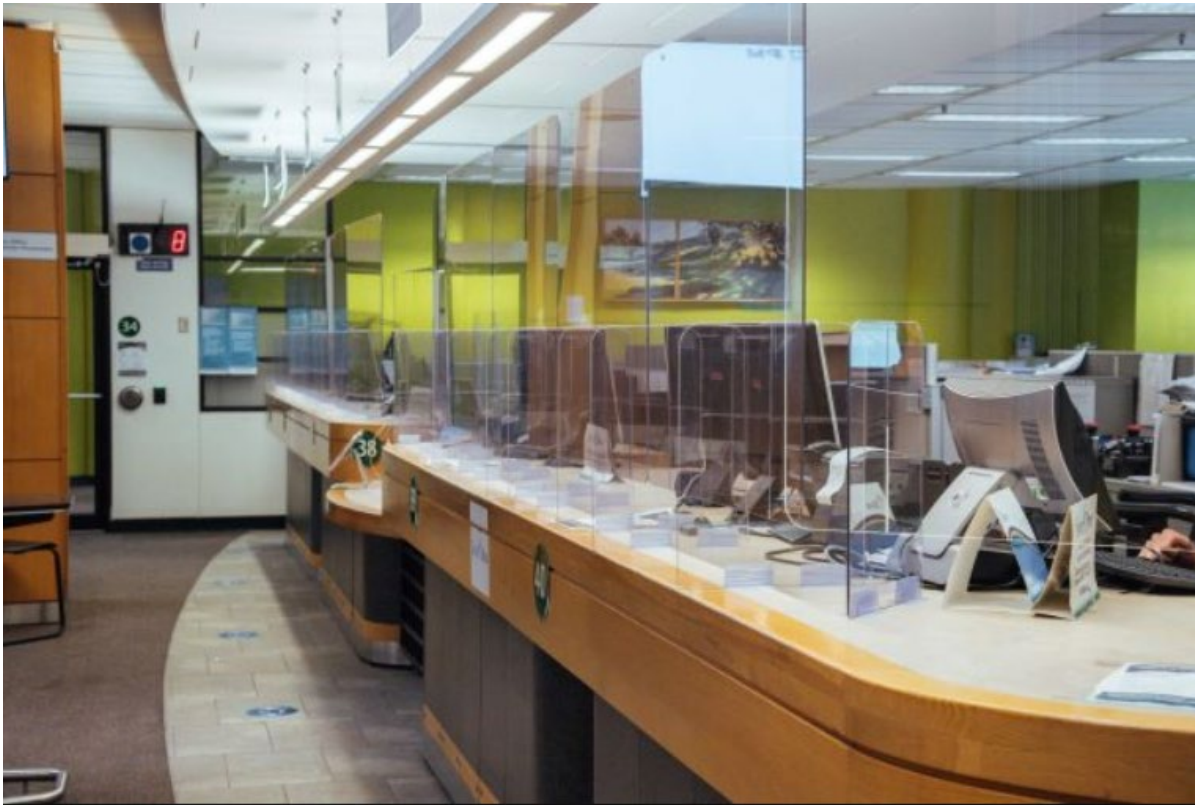
What's New!

City Resumes More In-person Counter Services

The City has resumed more in-person counter services at the City Hall and Ben Franklin Place Client Service Centres and the Business Licensing Centre at 735 Industrial Avenue. As part of the City's COVID-related safety protocols to support physical distancing, all counter services at City Hall and Ben Franklin Place are by appointment only. The Business Licensing Centre at 735 Industrial will continue to accept clients. Please make an appointment before you visit as COVID-safety protocols are still in place, continue to wear a mask and practice physical distancing.

Applicants are now able to make an appointment and visit a Client Service Centre, [101 Centrepointe Dr](#) and [110 Laurier Ave. West](#)

Building Code Service counters are now open at [101 Centrepointe Dr](#) and [110 Laurier Ave. West](#) are open by appointment only



Get Involved!

Ongoing Engagement Opportunities

[New Official Plan](#)

- Can you access your day-to-day needs within a 15-minute walk from home? Groceries, transit, school? Help us build healthy, sustainable, resilient communities and let us know what you want in a 15-minute neighbourhood: Have your say! Please take a few minutes to complete this [brief survey](#) to help us plan more 15 minute neighbourhoods through the New Official Plan.

You can weigh in on different online engagement opportunities using the City's new innovative engagement platform, [Engage Ottawa](#). See a full list of current engagement opportunities by visiting our [public engagement event page](#).
