

CLEARY – NEW ORCHARD COMMUNITY PROFILE



Information related to the Cleary & New Orchard Planning Study

For information about the **Cleary & New Orchard Planning Study**, please visit the City's website at: ottawa.ca/clearyneworchard.

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Introduction

The purpose of the Cleary & New Orchard Planning Study is to undertake a review of the lands in the vicinity of the future Cleary and New Orchard LRT stations, respectively, to determine appropriate redevelopment in the context of surrounding mature neighbourhoods. It is expected that the study will result in updates to a portion of the 2009 Richmond Road / Westboro Secondary Plan and 2007 Community Design Plan.

The 2009 Richmond Road/Westboro Secondary Plan and 2007 Community Design Plan were approved before the LRT was planned and, therefore, do not respond to the challenges and opportunities resulting from the Stage 2 Light Rail Transit (LRT) for Cleary and New Orchard. These documents require updating to ensure appropriate policy direction for lands around the LRT stations, while recognizing the impact on the adjacent residential neighbourhoods. This project will ensure that a clear policy framework is in place to manage growth in the study area, protect stable residential areas, enhance the public realm, as well as provide greater clarity for city staff, the community and developers.

The Cleary and New Orchard LRT Stations are among 19 new stations being added by Stage 2 of Ottawa's Light Rail Transit system; a system that builds on the current Confederation and Trillium Line investments to add 30 kilometres of track farther east, west and south in the City. Stage 2 is planned to be operational for 2023.

What is a Secondary Plan?

A Secondary Plan can be interpreted as a second tier of the City's Official Plan. They include land use schedules and implementation policies in conformity with the values of the Official Plan. Secondary Plans provide more detailed policy direction for specific areas or neighbourhoods.

What is a Community Design Plan?

A Community Design Plan is a planning tool that details a comprehensive community vision for physical development over a specified area. It is used as a guide by the community's "city builders": the community residents and businesses, property owners, developers, architects, City Councillors and City staff when contemplating public or private development.

A CDP is an important reference that ensures all of the physical elements that make up a great community, firstly, have somewhere to go, and secondly, they go there in an appropriate and beneficial manner. Most simply put, the Community Design Plan examines and guides the future of buildings, spaces and their uses in particular area.

Community Profile

This community profile will provide a basic understanding of your community as a whole. The profile reports on a broad range of factors such as: land use, sociodemographic characteristics, household structures, community facilities and environmental/natural features.

The information in this profile will be used to further understand the context of your community and influence the overall planning process.



What do we know?

Collected below is information gathered from a variety of existing City and other sources pertaining to the use of land, socio-economic data, and housing-related statistics.

Use of land

The City's 2015 Land Use Survey provides a breakdown of the use of land in the Cleary-New Orchard area (see below). Recreational uses are the most prevalent land use in the area – covering roughly 18.05 hectares of land – followed by Residential-Apartment uses which represent roughly 11.25 hectares.

Type of land use	Footprint (ha)	Percent of Study Area
Residential, Single-detached	6.62	12.8%
Residential, Semi-detached	1.37	2.7%
Residential, Row/Townhouse	1.61	3.1%
Residential, Apartment	11.25	21.8%
Residential, Duplex/Triplex	0.39	0.8%
Retail, Shopping Centre/Plaza	0.56	1.1%
Retail, Stand Alone	4.13	8.0%
Rehabilitation/Nursing Home	0.85	1.6%
Retirement Home	0.9	1.7%
Other Institution (daycare, place of worship)	2.21	4.3%
Transportation	0.28	0.5%
Office	0.08	0.2%
Recreation	18.05	35.0%
Open Space	3.15	6.1%
Vacant Land	0.18	0.3%

Source: 2015 Land Use Survey

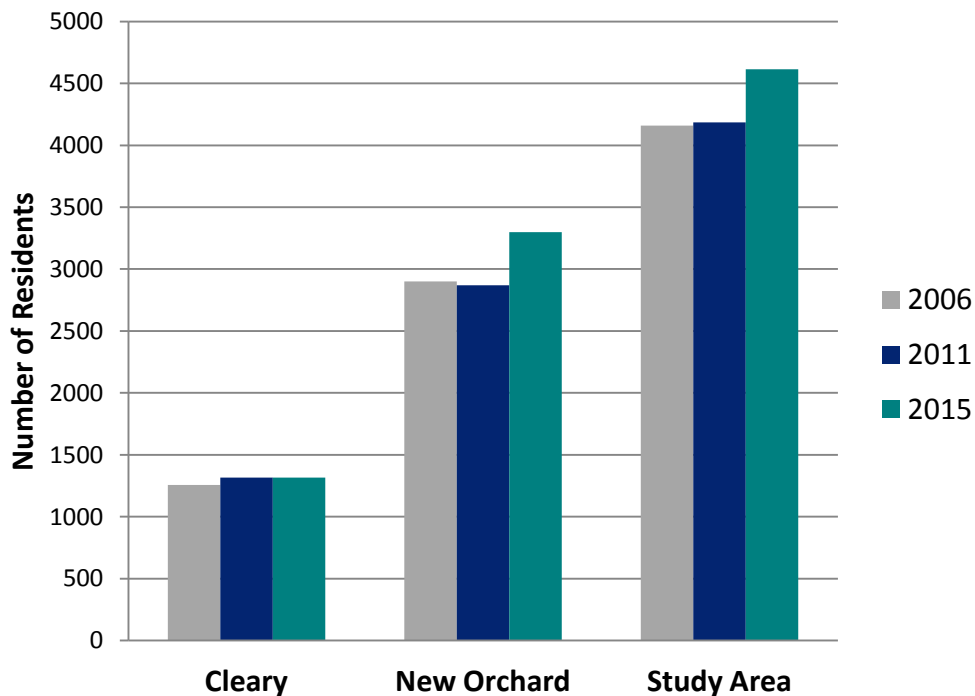
Population

From 2011 to 2015 there was a total increase of 431 residents in the Cleary-New Orchard area (representing 10.3 %). This growth in population was significantly influenced by the increase of residents in the New Orchard community.

	2011	2015	Change from 2011 to 2015
Cleary	1,315	1,317	0.15%
New Orchard	2,869	3,298	14.95%
Cleary-New Orchard (Combined)	4,184	4,615	10.30%

Source: 2011 Census

Population Growth

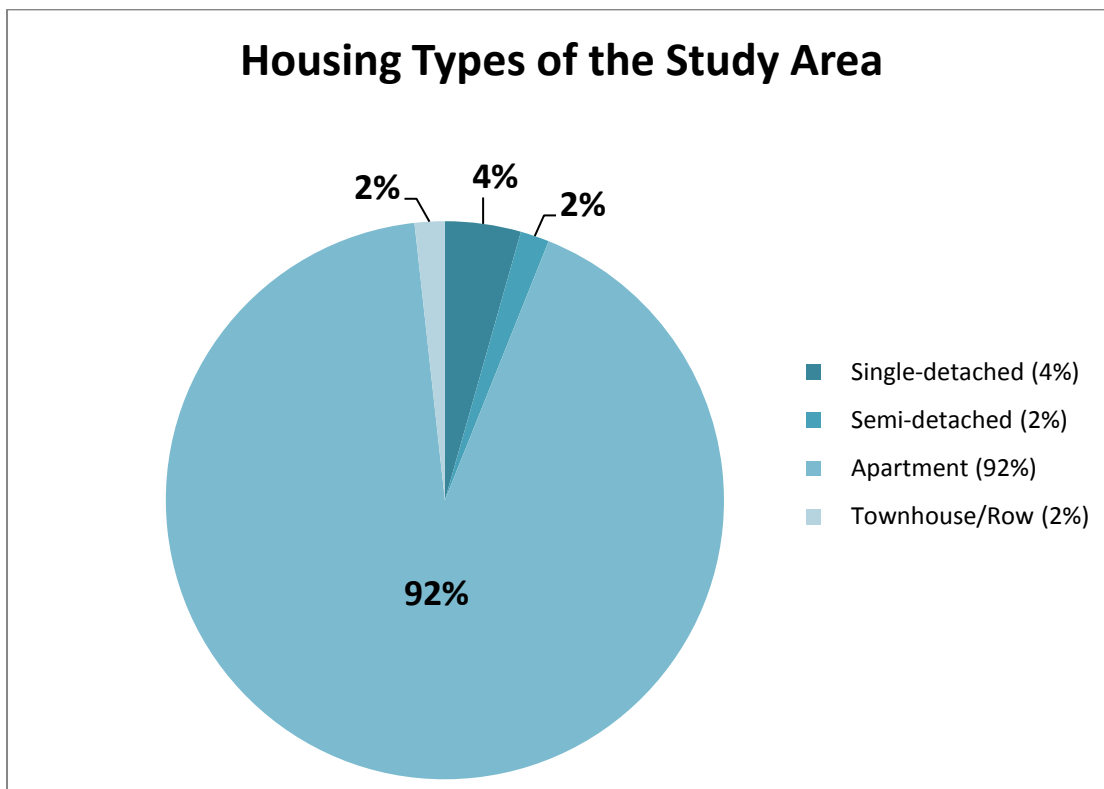


Housing

Apartment buildings are the predominant form of housing in the Cleary-New Orchard area as shown in the 2015 Land Use Survey described under the Use of Land (page 3). More specifically, these apartment buildings are generally 4 storeys or taller (94%).

Housing Type	Cleary	New Orchard	Study Area
Single-detached	120	1	121
Semi-detached	46	0	46
Row/Townhouse	10	38	48
Apartment	519	2,021	2,540
Duplex	18	0	18
< 4 Storeys	136	6	142
+ 4 Storeys	365	2,015	2,380
TOTAL	695	2,060	2,755

Source: 2015 Land Use Survey



Demographic info

In 2011, it was found that the most dominant age group in the Cleary-New Orchard area were those who were 65 years or older (39%). Reversely, residents who are 19 years old or less only made up 9% of the population.

Age Group	Number of Individuals	Percent of Study Area
19 years and less	377	9%
20 to 44 years old	1,004	24%
45 to 64 years old	1,172	28%
65 years and over	1,632	39%

Source: 2011 Census

Mother tongue

The predominant spoken language within the population of interest is English, representing 71% of all residents. French speakers make up 9% of the population and other non-official languages represent 20% of the Cleary-New Orchard area.

Language	Number of Individuals	Percent of Study Area
English	2,971	71%
French	377	9%
Other non-official	837	20%

Source: 2011 Census

Jobs

Between 2006 and 2012, there was a significant increase of jobs in both the Cleary and New Orchard communities for a total growth rate of 40%. Most notably, the New Orchard area nearly doubled the amount of jobs in the area with an increase of 239 jobs (91%).

	2006	2012	Change from 2006 to 2012
Cleary	547	635	16%
New Orchard	263	502	91%
Cleary-New Orchard (Combined)	810	1,137	40%

Source: Employment Survey 2012, City of Ottawa

Income

The average household income of a resident in the Cleary-New Orchard area was \$71,088 in 2011.

Community facilities, resources and institutions

Residents are able to access a range of facilities within the Cleary-New Orchard area, including:

Facilities and resources

The Counselling Group

Jewish Family Services of Ottawa

Matreshka

River Parkway Children's Centre

Woodroffe School Age Program

Youth Services Bureau of Ottawa

Schools and churches

First Unitarian Congregation of Ottawa / Unitarian Residence

Our Lady of Fatima School

Our Lady of Fatima Parish

St. Martin's Anglican Church

Ukrainian Orthodox Cathedral Hall

Woodroffe Avenue Public School

Built Heritage

No properties in the Cleary-New Orchard study area have official heritage designation. However, in the immediate surroundings, Bingham-McKellar House (635 Richmond Road) is designated under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act.

Parks and open space

There are 7 city-owned parks located within an 800 metre walk of the two new transit stations. Most of these parks have some level of programming such as play structures, ball diamonds or fitness trails. Ambleside Park is the only passive green space. The City-maintained parks in proximity of the new transit stations include:

Park	Size (ha)
Ambleside Park	0.32
Byron Linear Tramway Park	2.11
McEwen Park	0.45
McKellar Park	2.82
New Orchard Park	0.14
Westwood Park	1.40
Woodroffe Park	1.55

Natural environment

Although the Cleary-New Orchard area is predominantly an urban setting, it is adjacent the Mud Lake and the Britannia Conservation Area. The conservation area hosts a large range of biodiversity and provides recreational opportunities such as bird-watching.

Transportation

Walking

The Ottawa Pedestrian Plan designates a network of sidewalks throughout the Cleary-New Orchard area and proposes improvements to the existing infrastructure. Through the Ottawa Pedestrian Plan, the City aims to improve the quality of the pedestrian realm. The City supports road re-allocation for amenities that benefit pedestrians, such as bulb-outs, wider sidewalks, street furniture and plantings.

Cycling

The lack of designated cycling facilities in the Cleary-New Orchard area discourages cycling as a realistic commuting option for many users. The Byron Linear Tramway provides a City-maintained multi-use pathway throughout the entirety of the area, however it does not serve the needs of cyclists due conflicts with other uses.

The Ottawa Cycling Plan identifies strategies to improve the network of bicycle lanes and the safety of cyclists in the area.

Transit

Regular transit service is provided by OC Transpo buses 2, 87 and 153.

Roads

The existing arterial roads in the Cleary-New Orchard area include: Richmond Road and Woodroffe Avenue. The area's collector roads include Byron Avenue and Sherbourne Road.

Morning traffic in the area is predominantly easterly and reversely westward in the evenings on both Richmond Road and Byron Avenue. On average, between 70 and 250 vehicles commute through the Richmond Rd / Cleary Ave intersection per fifteen minutes.