

## 4.4 Public Realm

The Scott Street Area is bordered to the north and south by two strong, well-used and distinct elements of the City's public realm (publicly accessible spaces managed by a variety of City departments) —the Ottawa River open space system and Wellington Street West. Other than Laroche Park, Tunney's Pasture and the neighbourhoods of Mechanicsville, North Hintonburg and Wellington Village have no major open spaces for passive or active recreation. In addition, there are no major streets that invite people to stroll, shop, dine and socialize; on the contrary, roads like Parkdale Avenue and Scott Street discourage street life and divide neighbourhoods from one another.

The Public Realm Plan for the area identifies opportunities to enhance the open space network in strategic locations, focusing on Laroche Park and the potential for new neighbourhood parks in Tunney's Pasture as essential elements to support residential intensification in the area. The plan also highlights the need for small parks and plazas that will complement the larger open spaces and provide relief within increasingly dense areas. Critical to achieving better connectivity within the public realm are a number of initiatives to create tree-lined multi-use pathways to and from the transit station and between Scott Street and the riverfront. Finally, Scott Street itself emerges as the central element in the Public Realm Plan, with guidelines for its re-design as a greener, more complete street that comfortably accommodates all modes of travel and enhances the overall character of the area.







PROPOSED PUBLIC REALM PLAN

- ① Transit Plaza  
*Place du transport en commun*
- ② Parkdale Greenway  
*Couloir de verdure de Parkdale*
- ③ Park-to-Park Green Link  
*Liaison verte entre parcs*
- ④ Colombine Cycling Route  
*Voie cyclable Colombine*
- ⑤ Eglantine Cycling Route  
*Voie cyclable Eglantine*
- ⑥ Sir Frederick Banting Greenway  
*Couloir de verdure Sir Frederick Banting*
- ⑦ Transitway Greenway  
*Couloir de verdure du Transitway*
- ⑧ Neighbourhood Park and Community Centre  
*Parc de quartier et centre communautaire*
- ⑨ Laroche Park Improvement  
*Amélioration du parc Laroche*
- ⑩ Accessible Open Space  
*Espace ouvert accessible*
- ⑪ Hintonburg Pump House Site-New Park  
*Site de la maison Hintonburg pompe*
- ⑫ Pathways Extending Hinchey and Carruthers  
*Sentiers actuels qui prolongent Hinchey et Carruthers*
- ⑬ Burnside Avenue Improvement  
*Amélioration à la rue Burnside*
- ⑭ Mechanicsville Transitway Greenway  
*Couloir de verdure du Transitway de Mechanicsville*
- ⑮ Mid-Block Connection  
*Lien à mi pâté*
- ⑯ Parkdale Streetscape Improvement  
*Amélioration au paysage de rue*
- ⑰ Scott Street Enhancement  
*Amélioration de la rue Scott*
- ⑱ Intersection Improvement  
*Amélioration à l'intersection*
- ⑲ Enhanced Allée  
*Améliorer l'allée*