

TOWN OF LINCOLN COUNCIL NEWS

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Welcome to the Fall edition!

As the leaves begin to change and the air turns crisp, we are delighted to bring you the latest edition of the Town of Lincoln's Council Newsletter. This newsletter is delivered directly to mailboxes throughout the community. Inside these pages, you will find updates on our vibrant community's projects, initiatives, and events.

Fall is a time of transformation, and we are here to keep you informed every step of the way. As always, please feel free to reach out to Mayor Easton or either of your Ward Councillors directly, if you have any questions or concerns.



Inside
you will find:

Across Town

Ward Updates

and More!



Mayor's Message

It has been a fruitful summer in Lincoln, with many accomplishments to hang our hats on. Between a third round of funding for the Youth Skills Studio through the Province's Skills Development Fund and federal grants for Electric Vehicle Chargers coming this fall, we have been working hard to ensure Lincoln remains the most prosperous and livable community in Niagara.

Council has approved its revised strategic plan – Council Priorities for a Future-Fit Lincoln – to support initiatives during the 2022-26 term. The updated plan demonstrates our maturity as an organization and community. We have achieved much over the last few years and are laser-focused on setting the path for a bright future here in Lincoln.

In this newsletter, we bring updates on many of the projects we shared in our spring newsletter and other news from the Town of Lincoln. We encourage you to keep informed and engaged, either in-person through public meetings and open houses, by e-mail or through our Speak Up Lincoln public engagement site.

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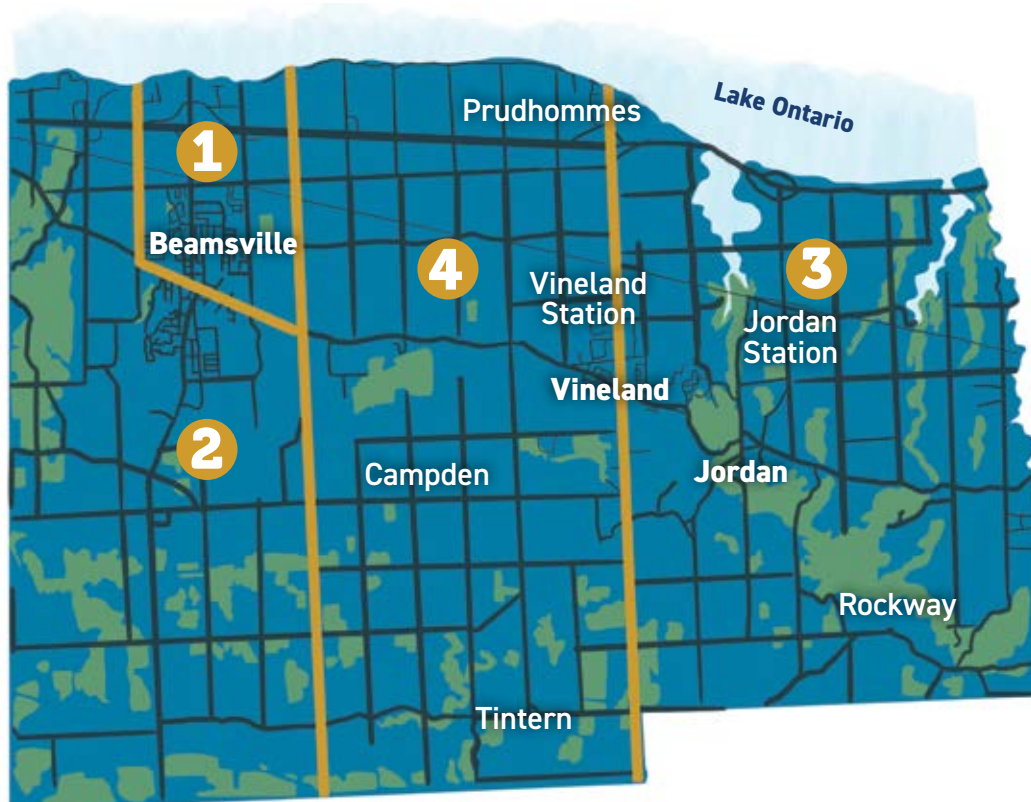
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Across Town



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Hard copies available at
Town Hall, Fleming Centre,
Lincoln Community Centre
(Seniors' Centre) and
Rittenhouse Library



\$ Help Shape the 2024 Budget

The Town of Lincoln provides more than **90 programs and services** that impact your life every day, including road maintenance, recreation programs, public libraries, by-law enforcement, fire services and parks.

That is why the Town's budget is so important!

The budget is a financial plan that determines how we will fund and provide services to our residents. It guides decisions on key infrastructure investments and how they will be funded.

As we prepare for the 2024 Budget, we invite you to take our survey. Your input will help us prioritize the Town of Lincoln's portion of your tax dollars.

Confirmed Budget Committee Meetings

- ✓ **SEPT 13** Ad-hoc Capital Financing Debt Review Committee Update & 2024 Budget Introduction Phase 1 (completed)
- **OCT 11** 2024 Budget Introduction Phase 2
- **NOV 29** 2024 Budget Meeting 1
- **DEC 6** 2024 Budget Meeting 2
- **DEC 11** 2024 Budget Meeting 3



Council Updates Strategic Priorities for Current Term

Town of Lincoln Council, elected in late 2022, has updated its strategic plan for 2022-26. The official document will be shared and communicated with the community this fall. This refresh and update of Council priorities did not include the previously approved mission, vision and values, which together with the Town's cultural pillars was intended to cover a 10-year period.

The Council Priorities Plan acts as a roadmap regarding Council's expectations and what will be accomplished throughout the current term of Council. Ultimately, Council's priorities guide the investment of resources and corporate initiatives.





Advocating for Lincoln at AMO Conference

A Town of Lincoln delegation participated in the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) Conference in London from August 21 to 23, 2023. Every year, municipal representatives from Lincoln attend the conference to advocate for strategic priorities and discuss critical issues by collaborating with provincial ministries. We continue to engage with several key provincial ministries to address critical issues impacting the community's growth, infrastructure, and emergency management. Discussions at meetings with key ministries aimed at increasing awareness of Town priorities and advocating for support across Lincoln's diverse economic sectors.



Members of Lincoln Council meet with the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing to discuss funding for shared services and growth-related infrastructure pressures.



Work in Lincoln

Earlier this year, the Town of Lincoln Economic Development Office, in partnership with the Employment Help Centre, launched the Work in Lincoln program to help connect local employers to talented job seekers in the area.

- » **Workinlincoln.ca** allows local employers to create an account and submit job postings at their own leisure, while also allowing job seekers to apply for job postings and join the resume database.
- » **Job Fair** - The Town, in partnership with the Employment Help Centre, will be hosting a Job Fair on Tuesday, October 3, 2023, from 6 – 8 p.m. at Great Lakes Christian High School to help attract and connect job seekers with employment opportunities here in Lincoln. For more information on the Job Fair, contact economicdevelopment@lincoln.ca



Get started today at
workinlincoln.ca



Across Town

“speak up LINCOLN

SpeakUpLincoln.ca is your central source of information regarding important Town projects and initiatives. Your input matters to us, and this online platform provides you with the opportunity to express your opinions. Stay informed about the latest developments in Lincoln!



**WORK IN
LINCOLN**

Across Town



Broadband Expansions in Lincoln to Improve Connectivity



The Town has been working with Internet Service Providers (ISPs) for the last two years to expand broadband connectivity across Lincoln. In March 2023, Bell announced the expansion of pure fibre internet service to homes and businesses in Lincoln. Fully funded by Bell, the expansion program will bring all-fibre broadband access to approximately 7,000 additional locations in Lincoln, with implementation commencing in January 2024.

On May 2, Niagara Wireless Internet Company (NWIC) announced the completion of their Next Generation Wireless Network infrastructure investment in Lincoln. The new broadband technology offered by NWIC has the ability to match the speed and performance of fibre-to-the-home services. The Town continues to work with other ISPs to bring more broadband to Lincoln residents, with additional investment announcements coming soon.



Short-Term Accommodations: Licensing and Application Framework

The Town is making progress developing a Licensing and Application Framework to regulate the operations of Short-Term Accommodations (STAs) in the municipality. The Town has determined that there is a need to implement provisions in the Town's Zoning By-law framework to support it. This comprehensive Licensing and Application Framework allows for a balance between enabling private individuals to engage in part-time innkeeping while establishing a structure that acknowledges the effects on neighbouring residents and the community at large.

Further to two public open houses held in March and July 2023, the Town is holding a Statutory Public Meeting at the October 16, 2023, Committee of the Whole meeting at 6 p.m. Stay tuned to the meeting via our YouTube channel or register as a delegation at lincoln.ca



COMING SOON! New Town of Lincoln 2023 Community Profile

The Town of Lincoln is launching a new 2023 Community Profile that showcases why Lincoln is a great place to work, live and do business. The document will be released soon – stay tuned!



Tourism Updates

Municipal Accommodation Tax (MAT)

What is MAT? A MAT is a tax imposed by a local government or municipality on lodging establishments, including hotels, motels, inns, and more. It is collected from guests during their stay and serves as a vital revenue stream for tourism, including tourism promotion, infrastructure development, and public services—benefitting both visitors and residents.



Why implement a MAT Tax in Lincoln? As defined in the Tourism Strategy and Action Plan 2020-2025, Lincoln's greatest opportunity for economic growth resides within its diverse tourism sector. With tourism on the rise, we face increased demands on our town's resources, from public washrooms to emergency services. The MAT's dual purpose is to fuel tourism growth while shifting the cost burden from residents to visitors, specifically those who opt for short-term overnight accommodations.

This project is in the early stages and the Town will begin seeking public input to help determine the MAT rate and other important details.

Destination Marketing Organization (DMO) Development

Tourism is a major economic driver in Lincoln. Over the last two decades, the Town has outsourced tourism marketing and product development to the Twenty Valley Tourism Association, formally recognized as our DMO. During the 2019 strategic planning process, it became clear that Lincoln needed to modify its involvement in destination management. This led to fostering a stronger public-private partnership with stakeholders such as the City of St. Catharines to promote the newly established Niagara Benchlands destination. The primary objective of this partnership is to create a strong visitor economy for Lincoln and St. Catharines through the establishment of a future-focused DMO.

Once formalized, the new DMO will promote the Niagara Benchlands to various segments including leisure travelers, the travel trade, corporate meetings, sports groups, events, and travel media, while Lincoln takes a bigger role. If you have questions, contact tourism@niagarabenchlands.ca



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Across Town



Tourism Updates (Continued)

Let's Go Exploring - New Tourism Discovery Initiatives!

New in Summer 2023, the Town in partnership with Niagara Region launched "CultivATE: Niagara Benchlands Taste Trail." This agri-tourism program guides visitors through local markets, U-Pick spots, on-farm stays, and more.

Additionally, the expanded Niagara Ale Trail, in partnership with Tourism St. Catharines, offers craft beverage enthusiasts a map to explore Lincoln's drink offerings. This program will launch in September 2023.



GROW. EXPLORE. SAVOUR.



There's no need to ask what produce is in season when you visit Niagara Benchlands. Visit one of our region's many markets, roadside stands, or greenhouses and see for yourself!



Electric Vehicle (EV) Charging Stations Coming to Lincoln!

The Town of Lincoln will be installing electric vehicle (EV) charging stations across the community, made possible with funding support of \$105,000 from Natural Resources Canada's Zero Emission Vehicle Infrastructure Program (ZEVIP). By providing EV charging stations at key locations across Lincoln, we aim to support local economic and community development through zero-emission infrastructure in our Town, while preserving and protecting surrounding ecosystems.



We expect to install the new EV charging stations in early fall 2023. Visit our website for more information and locations.





Traffic Safety and Traffic Calming Initiatives

The Town of Lincoln places a high priority on traffic safety and traffic calming initiatives. The 2023 Roadside Safety Program focuses on pedestrian crossover (PXO) safety, speed humps, digital speed feedback signs, guiderail improvements, community safety zones and other traffic calming strategies to address speeding concerns.

Here are some updates from the past several months:

- » Engaged with the community through a survey for the 40km/h Speed Limit Pilot Project; results and recommendations to be presented to Council in the Fall of 2023.
- » 2023 Traffic Safety Programs underway for “Black Cat” radar speed studies and digital feedback signs.
- » Ongoing Truck Safety Blitzes with NRPS, MTO, and partners to ensure road safety. These joint enforcement initiatives are aimed at trucks bypassing the QEW Inspection Station, located between Vineland and Beamsville, which have occurred through 2023 and are expected to continue regularly into the fall.
- » Truck Bypass Camera Monitoring Pilot Project led by Town in partnership with MTO and Niagara Regional Police. This program will improve monitoring and enforcement of truck traffic bypassing the QEW Inspection Station.
- » John Street traffic calming concept and consultations completed; next steps are budgeting for construction in 2024.
- » Traffic calming construction on Stadelbauer Drive and Connor Drive completed.
- » Heritage Village pedestrian crossing public engagement completed; RFQ awarded for Frederick Avenue and John Charles Boulevard improvements, with construction scheduled for early Q3.
- » Temporary speed humps on Cedarbrook Lane and Drake Avenue installed; resident feedback survey in Q4.
- » Traffic calming devices installed townwide (reboundable signs, silhouette signs, etc.).
- » Working with the Region, the Town will be replacing the red-light cameras on Mountain Street with a new community safety zone in the coming months.
- » Gavora Ditch Maintenance construction scheduled for mid-October.



“Black cat” device



Reboundable sign



School zone signage



Pedestrian Crossovers

A pedestrian crossover is a type of crossing that requires vehicles to stop and allow pedestrians to cross the road.

At a pedestrian crossover, pedestrians have the right-of-way. Drivers and cyclists must stop behind the yield line and wait until the pedestrian has completely crossed the road and is safely on the sidewalk before proceeding. All road users (pedestrians, motorists, cyclists) must obey pedestrian crossover rules at all times of the day and night.



Across Town



Did you know you can apply for a building permit online?

Complete the entire building
permit process online,
on any device.



Routine Disclosure – New Policy at the Town of Lincoln

The Town of Lincoln prioritizes open government and encourages the routine disclosure of information to the public without requiring a formal Freedom of Information (FOI) request under the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (MFIPPA).

Town Council has approved a Routine Disclosure and Active Dissemination Policy through the Legislative Services and Clerks Department. This policy improves public access to non-confidential records and reduces the need for formal requests, promoting transparency and efficiency. The policy outlines procedures for releasing specific records without formal FOI requests, while the MFIPPA process remains for less routine cases. Fees apply to both Routine Disclosure and FOI requests. Stay tuned for a new page on our website with more information.

If you have any questions about Routine Disclosure requests, or how to access records in the custody and control of the Town, please contact the Legislative Services Department at clerks@lincoln.ca



Fall Operations Fall 2023 Street Sweeping Program

Street sweeping is performed twice a year, in Spring and Fall. The Town's urban areas are divided into eight sections which will take approximately 10 weeks to complete, weather permitting. Street sweeping activities will commence when the leaves begin to fall, likely between October to December.

Please rake and bag your fallen leaves!

Please note that the Town of Lincoln does not provide curbside pickup of fallen leaves. These must be raked and placed in bags for pickup by Niagara Region. Fallen leaves can clog sewers and cause flooding, so we ask you to do your part to keep these clear from leaves.

Lincoln Museum & Cultural Centre

We are now open! The Lincoln Museum & Cultural Centre has reopened its doors to the public after a period of construction and improvement in Jordan Village. The Ontario Heritage Trust has been hard at work during the closure, implementing several exciting updates: installing stairs for access to the Twenty Mile trail, re-roofing the 1859 Schoolhouse and ongoing re-roofing for the 1815 Fry Family House, including building enhancements. A new museum courtyard with interactive play features, landscaping, seating, and bike racks are also being installed. Come and explore our revitalized space this fall!



Museum courtyard rendering

Fall Exhibits:



Hockey
(until January 2024)



**Poppa Wilson:
A Folk Art Story**
(until January 2024)

Fall Events:



Starlight Market
November 17
3 - 8 p.m.



Deep Roots Dinner
December 7
6 p.m.



Lincoln in Bloom Contest Winners

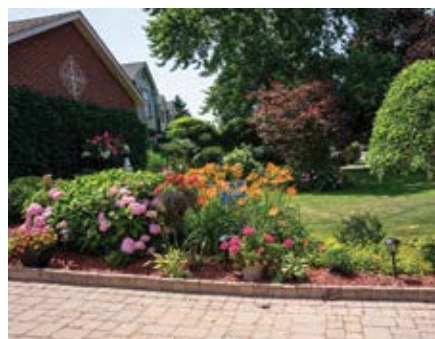
The Lincoln in Bloom garden contest aims to inspire residents to embrace gardening as a means to beautify Lincoln neighbourhoods and foster a strong sense of community. We extend our gratitude to all the nominators, nominees, and the volunteer committee, whose passion and community spirit made this contest a great success. In partnership with the Lincoln Garden Club, we proudly present the 2023 Lincoln in Bloom winners.



**First Overall Residential Front
Yard:** 4135 Stadelbauer Dr.,
Beamsville



Runner Up:
4856 King St., Beamsville



Runner Up:
3925 Carolyn Ct., Vineland



Ward 1 UPDATES



Dianne Rintjema



Adam Russell



Bartlett Road Reconstruction & Watermain Replacement

The Town's Transportation Master Plan has identified Bartlett Road as a crucial north-south transportation corridor aimed at managing traffic growth in Beamsville. This roadway, between King Street and South Service Road, will be reconstructed to better accommodate heavy traffic. The Town also intends to create an in-boulevard multi-use pathway to enhance safety for cyclists and pedestrians. Design has started and Public Engagement is scheduled in late 2023, with phase 1 construction planned for 2025. Public consultation is expected in Q4 2023.



Volunteer at the Val Fleming Butterfly Garden

OCT
14
9 a.m. - noon

Join in maintaining the Val Fleming Butterfly Garden at Rotary Park from the experts! Bring your own gardening tools such as a trowel, bucket, gloves and kneeling pad!



Rubber Surfacing Upgrade to Meadowood Park

Community play spaces provide flexible, unstructured play opportunities. Play space surfaces are a crucial component in designing safe, accessible spaces. Rubber surfacing enables children and youth of varying abilities to participate and socialize with their peers through play.

Through the Government of Canada and the Government of Ontario's *ICIP: Community Culture and Recreation - Rehabilitation and Renovation Grant Funding*, the Town of Lincoln is actively resurfacing Meadowood Park, to be completed in fall 2023.





Greenlane Road Reconstruction (King Street to Bartlett Avenue)

This is a multi-phase project that spans both Wards 1 and 2.

Greenlane Reconstruction Phase 1 (King Street to Konkle Creek – Ward 2)

Phase 1 focuses on widening and reconstructing the rural section of Greenlane Road from Lincoln Avenue to King Street to new standards. It includes separated cycling and pedestrian facilities through an in-boulevard, multi-use path connecting to West Niagara Secondary School. Construction times will align with the larger Regional King Street Reconstruction Project to minimize disruption in Q3 2023.

Design plans are near complete for the rural road section from Lincoln Avenue to King Street. The Town will finalize the detailed design package, including the expanded road section of Greenlane east of Lincoln Avenue to the new Konkle Creek trail in 2023/24. Community communication will continue through 2023, with a Public Information Centre (PIC) in early 2024. The PIC will present the design plans and incorporate resident feedback for design modifications. The construction phase is planned for 2025.

Greenlane Reconstruction Phases 2 and 3 (Kongle Creek Trail to Bartlett Road – Ward 1)

Greenlane within Beamsville's urban boundary (Kongle Creek trail to Bartlett Road) is experiencing significant infill development growth. This roadway will be upgraded to a Complete Streets urban standard, including active transportation facilities, traffic calming elements, beautification, and operational improvements, accommodating all transportation modes. A Schedule "C" Environmental Assessment is underway, with construction anticipated for 2026/27.



Beamsville District Secondary School (BDSS) Update

Town staff are developing a business case to be presented to Council in late 2023 on a future plan for BDSS. The Town has expressed its intent to purchase the surplus property that currently houses BDSS from the District School Board of Niagara. Please look for updates on future public engagement opportunities.





Ward 2 UPDATES



John (JD) Pachereva



Tony Brunet



Ashby Drive Park Grand Re-Opening



The Town and community partners held a grand re-opening event in August 2023 to celebrate Ashby Drive Park's enhancements. The park's upgrades offer improved recreational opportunities.

These enhancements, driven by community input and Council approval, align with the Town's strategic priorities and Parks, Recreation, and Culture Master Plan. The park's transformations include a resurfaced basketball court, expanded play area, shade sail seating areas, a bicycle playground, outdoor fitness equipment, improved seating and walkways, enhanced landscaping, and more. The upgrades emphasize sustainability, accessibility, and innovation, incorporating features such as absorbent landscaping and rubberized surfaces.

The Town is grateful for the federal and provincial funding support to help make these enhancements possible. We look forward to seeing residents and visitors enjoy these new amenities!



William Street Neighbourhood Reconstruction

William Street and surrounding neighbourhood streets (Highland Park Drive, Glenwood Drive, Robbie Burns Drive, and Charles Street) will be fully reconstructed to meet current standards, including watermain and sanitary sewer systems. The design will also review opportunities to improve traffic calming, streetlighting, and connectivity of the community.

Residents will receive an invitation to attend a public consultation meeting to provide feedback on the project. Visit our [Speak Up Lincoln](#) page to engage with us on this new project!



Lincoln Avenue Reconstruction

Lincoln Avenue, from King Street to South Service Road requires full road reconstruction to meet current standards, including watermain replacement and the construction of active transportation facilities. Tendering is planned for Q1 2024, with construction to begin in Q2 2024. Provide feedback at our Public Information Centre on September 27, 2023 from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Fleming Centre (5020 Serena Dr., Beamsville).





Durham Road Reconstruction

The Town's Transportation Master Plan has identified Durham Road as a key north-south transportation corridor to provide a future alternate truck route in Beamsville. The project is currently in the final design phase with tendering and construction planned for Q1 2024.



Aberdeen Road & Hillside Drive Reconstruction Project

Aberdeen Road and Hillside Drive are in poor condition and require full road reconstruction from Ashby Drive to King Street, including active transportation improvements. Detailed design work has been completed. Staff are finalizing contract documents and construction preparations including property acquisition, utility relocation and permitting in 2023, with construction planned for Q1 2024.



King Street Improvements (Niagara Region Project)

King Street from Lincoln Avenue to Greenlane Road is being widened and reconstructed to improve road safety. There is a focus on improved intersection safety at Thirty Road and Mountainview Road. Wider paved shoulders are proposed to further support active transportation in the area. Construction is planned for 2024.



Gavora Ditch Municipal Drain Maintenance

Maintenance of the Gavora Ditch Municipal Drain has been requested under the Drainage Act. A Public Meeting was held earlier this year and after examining the drain, it was determined that the Gavora Ditch Municipal Drain requires maintenance (brush & siltation removal) to restore its original design capacity and help alleviate localized flooding issues. Construction is scheduled to begin in late September 2023. The entire drain is expected to take up to four weeks to clean (weather permitting).



Rubber surfacing upgrades to Ashby Drive Park, Beamsville Lions Park & Angelina Macri Prokich Park are complete!



Ward 3 UPDATES



Anna Murre



Mike Mikolic



Progress on Jordan Village Improvement Project



The Jordan Village Improvement Project is a multi-year reconstruction project that involves all of Jordan Village, north of King Street. The main goals of this project are increased safety at the intersections of King Street / Main Street / Nineteenth Street, increased pedestrian connectivity, environmental improvements and a beautified neighbourhood embracing local heritage for residents and visitors alike.

The Jordan Village Improvement Project is ahead of schedule and is making great progress towards the completion of Main Street. Residents will notice many beautiful landscaping features coming to the village this year including wayfinding pillars, street pavers, streetlighting, planting beds, and more!



Sho'arishon Park (formerly Jordan Hollow Park)

Lincoln has a history of human inhabitation that dates back at least 12,000 years. The village of Jordan is an important site of Indigenous settlement in Southern Ontario, with recent archaeological evidence confirming settlement by the Attawandaron or 'Neutrals' dating to the early c.1600. A Neutral Nation archaeological site showing evidence of multigenerational settlement sits less than 500m from the park.

The Town has worked with Indigenous advisors to recognize and honour this history through the redevelopment and renaming of the park in Jordan Hollow. After staff carried out the process for renaming a public park, Lincoln Town Council approved the re-naming of Jordan Hollow Park to Sho'arishon (So-ah-ree-son) Park on June 26, 2023. The goal of renaming the site is to acknowledge and celebrate the Indigenous connections to the land, in particular that of the Neutral Nation.

The park is currently in the detailed design phase, with the Town taking the lead in developing the park enhancement plan with Indigenous advisors, environmental stakeholders, and design consultants. Next steps include finalizing the design, with construction beginning in the spring of 2024.




**Rubber surfacing upgrades
to Charles Daley Park
are complete!**





Town of Lincoln and partner Inn on the Twenty hosted the Niagara Benchlands Blanc Party in beautifully rejuvenated Jordan Village. It was a wonderful evening full of live music, dancing and tasty al fresco dining.



Prudhommes Development and Supporting Infrastructure

Commercial development is underway, and the new Tim Hortons is now open. The Town continues to review proposals in respect to density and heights to ensure alignment with the Town's Zoning By-law, the Regional Official Plan Review and the Town's existing Official Plan. The Town will upgrade the municipal water servicing to support the Prudhommes Development. This includes watermain upgrades along Jordan Road from Fourth Avenue to North Service Road, and along North Service Road from Jordan Road to Victoria Avenue including the Victoria Avenue QEW crossing.



Tallman Drive Environmental Assessment

Tallman Drive runs adjacent to the 20 Mile Creek tributary ravine. The road is currently in poor condition and suffers from erosion and stability issues. A Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (MCEA) process and public engagement opportunities are nearing completion. The upcoming project milestone involves submitting the Project File Report, which will be made available for a 30-day public review period. This report will encompass the feedback received during the Public Information Centre held earlier this year.



King Street Jordan Hollow (Niagara Region project)

Niagara Region will make improvements on King Street within the defined study zone spanning from Nineteenth Street to Twenty-Third Street. Recognizing the ecological significance of Jordan Hollow, a Schedule B Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (EA) is underway in collaboration with the Town to ensure environmentally responsible measures. This EA will assess options for road enhancements aligned with Complete Streets principles, alongside the retaining wall replacement. The upcoming stages involve initiating the design phase for the new retaining wall and the implementation of Complete Streets in 2024.



Four-Way Stop: South Service Road and Jordan Road

The all-way stop control was implemented by Niagara Region at the intersection of Jordan Road and South Service Road in August 2023. The basis of the implementation was on the frequency of collisions that have occurred at this intersection over the past 3 years.



Ward 4 UPDATES



Lynn Timmers



Greg Reimer



Rittenhouse Reimagined

Due to the rapid expansion of our vibrant community, the Lincoln Pelham Public Library (LPPL) is working to secure funding from upper levels of government to transform the Rittenhouse branch into a centre of community innovation and inclusivity. Such funding will help address space, accessibility, exterior features, and future needs of the branch. We envision this space to be a dynamic community facility to support growing neighbourhoods and act as an anchor in Vineland and the future Prudhommes Development. These upgrades also intend to incorporate energy-efficient features, ultimately transforming the Rittenhouse branch into a sustainable facility, aligning with the Town of Lincoln's Climate Adaptation Plan.



Proposed accessibility features include:

- » Accessible entrances and exits with power doors
- » Gender neutral fully accessible washrooms
- » Large print and braille signage
- » Accessible furniture and shelving

Proposed Net Zero standards with green elements include:

- » Triple-glazed windows
- » Completely automated temperature control and LED lighting
- » Optimized building envelopes for energy efficiency



King Street (Vineland) Improvements (Niagara Region Project; this project spans both Wards 3 and 4)

King Street in Vineland between Vinehaven Trail and Twenty-Third Street is to be reconstructed by Niagara Region. This is a joint cost share project with the Town and involves significant construction work, including sewer and watermain upgrades, underground hydro conversions, local drainage improvements, a fully reconstructed road surface, landscape beautification elements, streetlighting and upgraded active transportation facilities, to better connect neighbourhoods and amenities. Detailed design and public engagement are underway, with construction expected to begin in 2024.





Cherry Avenue

This is an important 2023 project in the Town's Road Rehabilitation program, linking tourism destinations including several wineries, Ball's Falls and other destinations in Lincoln. The resurfacing will be done with Bonded Wearing Course, an innovative strategy to provide a smoother riding surface for cyclists, since this section of road has been identified as a cycling route in the Town's Active Transportation Action Plan. During the summer months, culvert replacements were completed, asphalt padding was placed in preparation of the new surface, and milling and paving of the three hill sections on Cherry Avenue took place. Placement of the Bonded Wearing Course can be expected in early Fall.



Lakeshore Roads and Shoreline Protection

As a result of high-water levels and isolated flooding during the spring of 2017 and 2019, sections of the Town's shoreline roads have deteriorated and eroded. This has resulted in significant damage to both the road surface and foundation. Following the flooding events, the Town completed several studies to identify the existing condition and potential future solutions for the lakeshore roads and related shoreline improvement needs, in order to develop a long-term adaptation plan.

We thank everyone who participated in public consultation efforts. Below are updates on both projects:



- » **Lakeshore Roads Thirty Road N to Martin Road N Improvements -** Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (MCEA) Study – The Notice of Study Completion was issued earlier this year. The Environmental Study Report (ESR) was placed on the public record for a 30-day review period in accordance with the MCEA. The Notice of Completion has been posted and the 30-day comment period has ended. The next step is to finalize the Flooding and Erosion Emergency Response Plan.
- » **Lakeshore Roads Martin Road N to Victoria Avenue N Improvements -** Municipal Class Environmental Assessment Study – The Schedule "B" Environmental Assessment has been completed. Staff have finalized the plan with consultants and issued the Notice of Completion. The next step is implementing the preferred alternative.

WARD 4 TOWN HALL

We welcome all Ward 4 residents
to attend a Town Hall Meeting

We always look forward to hearing
directly from our residents!

SEPT
26

6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Campden Fire Station
3970 Fly Rd., Campden



Winter Parking By-Law Alert: **Keep It Clear in Lincoln!**

Winter is looming, and Lincoln's Keep it Clear program remains in full effect. When a Keep it Clear Ban is declared, vehicles are not permitted to park on Town streets or impede sidewalks.

The Town will notify residents of a Keep it Clear event on [Lincoln.ca](https://lincoln.ca) and our social media by the end of business day prior, and local media will also be alerted to ensure widespread awareness. The Keep it Clear Ban will typically last 72 hours.

Vehicle owners who do not remove their vehicles from the road during a declared Keep it Clear Ban will be subject to a \$75.00 ticket.



**Did you know
you can report
potholes,
streetlights &
damaged signs
online?**

We patrol our roads regularly to identify any concerns relating to road conditions and safety, and sometimes issues can arise without warning. We appreciate residents assisting by reporting a pothole, streetlight problem or damaged street signs.

Visit lincoln.ca to report a concern.



FIRE PREVENTION WEEK

Fire Prevention Week is coming up from Sunday, October 8 to Saturday, October 14, 2023. This year's theme is **Cooking Safety Starts with You!** Cooking-related fires are the leading cause of home fires and home fire injuries. In honour of Fire Prevention Week, we encourage everyone to attend the Annual Fire Department Open House:

**SEPT
30**

11 a.m. - 2 p.m. | Fire Station 61 - Beamsville
4594 Ontario St., Beamsville.