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### Welcome to the Winter edition!

In this last edition of the year, we are pleased to report on the initiatives and services we have delivered to the community in 2023 that make Lincoln a leader in Niagara.

This newsletter is delivered directly to mailboxes throughout the community and is available at Town of Lincoln facilities. As always, please reach out to Mayor Easton or your Ward Councillors directly if you have any questions or concerns.



Town of Lincoln delegation advocating for community priorities at AMO Conference



County Cycle Digital Main Street Cheque Presentation



Heritage Designation Ceremony at one of our newly-designated heritage properties



Grand reveal of our Play Communication Board The board promotes inclusive play in our parks



Every Child Matters flag raising at Town Hall



Council met with delegates from Ghana to discuss agricultural excellence & foster economic ties









### Mayor's Message

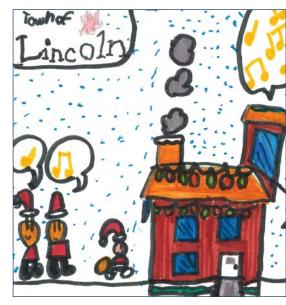
'Tis the season in Lincoln! I hope 2023 has been a good year for everyone and that the prospects have outnumbered the challenges.

I would like to thank everyone who engaged with the Town this past year, whether through our Budget Survey, in-person events and public engagement opportunities, or through SpeakUpLincoln.ca. A special shout out to the participants in the 4th annual Mayor Easton's Children's Christmas Card Drawing Contest - see our 2023 winning submission on the right. Thank you for sharing with your community members what Christmas means to you in Lincoln.

I am proud of the progress we continue to make on our initiatives supporting Council's strategic priorities. If you haven't seen a copy of our final document, please visit Lincoln.ca or pick up a copy in one of our facilities.

Wishing everyone a safe and happy holiday season.

Mayor Sandra Easton | seaston@lincoln.ca | 905-563-2799 ext. 248



Winner: Gabriel Gomez / Age 9

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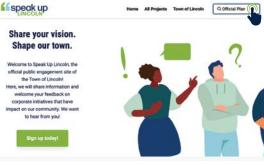
Most active engagement projects in this edition of Council News include a QR code to the project page at SpeakUpLincoln.ca.

If you are not using a smart device and would like to learn more about a paticular project, please visit

### SpeakUpLincoln.ca

and search for the project name in the top bar.









Look for our final 2022-2026 **Council Priorities document** on our website and at facilities across Town.





### 2024 Budget

As of press time, deliberations are underway on the 2024 Budget. We thank everyone who participated in our Budget Survey and shared their priorities for our community. Your feedback is important to us and is taken into account when developing our budget.

Stay tuned for a fulsome update in the first edition of Council News in 2024.



### **Electric Vehicle (EV) Charging** Stations in Lincoln!

Electric vehicle (EV) charging stations are coming to Lincoln! This project is made possible with funding support of \$105,000.00 from Natural Resources Canada's Zero Emission Vehicle Infrastructure Program (ZEVIP). By providing EV charging stations at key locations across the community, we aim to support local economic and community development through zeroemission infrastructure in our Town, while preserving and protecting surrounding ecosystems. Installation is underway, with expected completion by the end of 2023.





### **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 by 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-home services. The Town continues to work with other ISPs to bring more broadband to Lincoln residents, with additional investment announcements coming soon. Stay tuned for upcoming updates as Bell is set to commence work in early 2024!

### **Economic Development Strategy Update**

We are reviewing and updating our current Economic Development Strategy and Action Plan and are seeking input from our valued Lincoln business community.

The current strategy and action plan is due to expire by the end of 2023. Town staff are actively seeking input and feedback from local businesses and stakeholders to help inform the strategy and ensure alignment with shared objectives.

Please take a moment to complete our brief survey that focuses on how we

can enhance our current Economic Development Strategy to best support our local economy.







### **Routine Disclosure Requests Now Available Online**

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). In our last edition, we reported that Town Council approved a Routine Disclosure and Active Dissemination Policy through the Legislative Services and Clerks Department. 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.

You can now apply for a Routine Disclosure Request at Lincoln.ca. If you have any questions about these requests or how to access records in the custody and control of the Town, please contact the Legislative Services Department at **clerks@lincoln.ca**.





### Short-Term Accommodations (STA): Licensing & Application Framework

The Town is developing a Licensing and Application Framework to regulate the operations of STAs in the municipality. The Town has determined that there is a need to implement provisions in the Town's Zoning Bylaw 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.

Thank you to all members of the public who attended and provided feedback on the project. Please visit our Speak Up Lincoln page for more information and updates. A follow-up report and proposed by-law to Council is expected in early 2024.





### **Sewer Use Education Campaign**

Join us in learning what is drain-friendly and what is not. The Town of Lincoln will be rolling out an engaging and informative campaign in 2024 to educate residents about correct sewer use. Together, we must work to protect our sewers and the environment by fostering a greener and cleaner community.

Look out for this campaign in 2024!



### **Economic Development News: Helping All Local Businesses Thrive in 2023**

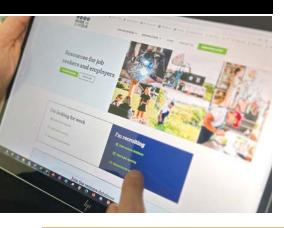


Resources for job seekers and employers

**Employers -** gain access to top qualified job seekers in the area. Post your job openings to reach qualified candidates. Browse through our resume database to find your perfect candidate.

Job seekers - upload your resume, view job openings, and access resources to help you advance your career in the Town of Lincoln!

workinlincoln.ca



#### Work in Lincoln

Earlier this year, the Town of Lincoln's 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.

- Job Fair Our first two job fairs were held in April and October 2023, and were a great success. In total, we welcomed 950 attendees, with 67 businesses represented at the job fairs. The goal of the fairs was to help connect job seekers with prospective employers and simplify the hiring process.
- **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.

#### **Youth Skills Studio**

In 2023, the Town of Lincoln and Civiconnect were honoured to receive our third grant in three years through the Province of Ontario's Skills Development Fund to support its Youth Skills Studio. This year's funding of \$2.9 million will prepare 250 youth in Lincoln and Niagara for careers in technology, tourism and hospitality. It will also connect trained youth with 75 businesses. Since being launched in 2020, the Youth Skills Studio has:



Hired 450 youth participants



Provided 300,000 of work-integrated learning with participants



**Delivered over 250** projects to local **businesses** 

#### **Digital Main Street**

The Town of Lincoln has secured \$152,500 for local businesses thanks to a Provincial funding grant through the Digital Main Street program, administered by the Ontario BIA Association (OBIAA). A total of 61 local Lincoln businesses received the \$2,500 Digital Transformation Grant (DTG) 4.0 since August 2022. Since the launch of the Digital Service Squad in Lincoln in 2019, local businesses have received 100 DTGs of \$2,500, circulating a total of \$250,000.00 to help our businesses adopt online technologies over the past five years.

#### **Business Walks**

In September, Town Council and Staff conducted our across-town business walks program to meet with over 50 local business owners, build working relationships with our existing business community, and discuss our key programs and initiatives in 2023. The business walks are part of the Town's Economic Development Strategy to support existing businesses, foster communication and create a pro-business environment.

### Advocating for Lincoln at ROMA & AMO

In 2023, A Town of Lincoln delegation participated in the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) 2023 Conference, and the Rural Ontario Municipal Association (ROMA) 2023 Conference to meet with provincial ministries to discuss key issues impacting the municipality. Key topics discussed included:

- » Provincial Funding to support modernization of services
- » Rittenhouse Reimagined Library infrastructure project
- » Increased funding for Ontario museums
- » Skills Development Fund Round 3 Youth Skills Studio application
- » Niagara Irrigation Project
- » Niagara Escarpment Crossing
- Growth Related Infrastructure Funding
- » Funding to support cross municipality shared services



Town of Lincoln delegation advocating for community priorities at AMO Conference



### This holiday season, shop local, shop Lincoln!

Infuse your holiday traditions with festive joy by shopping local and experiencing the magic of the Benchlands!

Whether you prefer the convenience of online browsing or the traditional charm of in-store experiences, Lincoln has so much to offer - from award-winning beverages, mouth-watering local cuisine and unique gifts for loved ones.

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### Regional Public Works Projects in Lincoln

Some public works projects in Lincoln are managed by Niagara Region, as they fall under the jurisdiction of Regional government. The following provides a snapshot of some of the Regional Public Works projects underway or coming up. Scan QR codes for timelines and contact information relating to these projects.

#### **Ontario Street Watermain Replacement**

Niagara Region is replacing the Ontario Street watermain from Greenlane Road to King Street due to its overall age, poor condition and break frequency. The Town is partnering with Niagara Region to upsize the sanitary sewer capacity, in response to new development growth. Please visit Niagara Region's website for more information and updates on this project.



### **King Street Improvements**

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. Please visit Niagara Region's website for more information and updates on this project.



### King Street Jordan Hollow

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. Please visit Niagara Region's website for more information and updates on this project.



### King Street (Vineland) Improvements (this project spans Wards 3 & 4)

King Street in Vineland between Vinehaven Trail and Twenty-Third Street is to be reconstructed by Niagara Region. Timing for this project has been delayed and we continue to work with our partners at Niagara Region to prioritize projects in Lincoln. 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. Please visit Niagara Region's website for more information and updates on this project.



### **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:

- » 40km/h Area Speed Reduction the 2023 reduction areas were signed and completed in November.
- » Frederick Avenue and John Charles Boulevard all-way construction completed.
- » Ongoing 2023 Traffic Safety Programs 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 Vineland Inspection Station, which have occurred through 2023 and are expected to continue regularly into 2024.
- >> Expanded Truck Bypass Camera Monitoring Pilot Project approved in principle by Council, pending Budget approval. This project is led by the Town in partnership with MTO and Niagara Region. This program will improve monitoring and enforcement of truck traffic bypassing the QEW inspection station located between Vineland and Beamsville.
- » John Street traffic calming concept finalized; consultant preparing tender documents for construction.
- » Traffic calming construction on Stadelbauer Drive and Connor Drive completed.
- » Temporary speed humps on Cedarbrook Lane and Drake Avenue have been removed in preparation for winter maintenance. Resident feedback survey for the temporary speed humps on Cedarbrook Lane is completed.
- » Traffic calming devices that were installed townwide have been removed in preparation for winter maintenance (reboundable signs, silhouette signs, etc.).
- » The Region to install a new community safety zone on Mountain Street between Edelheim Road and Beam Street in the coming months.



### **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.





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

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













### **Age-Friendly Accessible Guides**

Age-Friendly Business Guide: This guide was developed by the Town of Lincoln's former Age-Friendly Advisory Committee (AFAC), now part of the Age-Friendly and Active Community Advisory Committee. This guide helps business owners identify, improve, and promote their age-friendly features by using the age-friendly checklist and valuable resources. The Town of Lincoln's Age-Friendly and Active Community Advisory Committee are thrilled to collaborate for more age-friendly businesses!



#### Age-Friendly Accessible Meetings & Events Guide:

This guide was developed by the Town of Lincoln's Age-Friendly Advisory Committee in consultation with the Joint Accessibility Advisory Committee (JAAC). This guide aids event planners and organizations in creating agefriendly and accessible events, removing barriers for all ages and abilities.







### Separating FACT from FICTION in Lincoln

In the digital age, information flows through our community like a river. However, not all currents are clear, and amidst the stream of data, truths often intertwine with falsities. That's where we come in – Fact Check Lincoln is your guide in the sea of information,

in the sea of information dedicated to separating fact from fiction when it comes to all things related to the Town of Lincoln.





### Lincoln Museum & Cultural Centre - We are open!

The Lincoln Museum & Cultural Centre is celebrating the season with a schedule full of activities, programs, and events. The renovations to the historic buildings, the Twenty Valley Trail stairs behind the museum, and the museum courtyard are complete. Two very interesting and eye-catching exhibits have also been recently installed. Come experience, visit and explore the revitalized site and various spaces!



#### **Current Exhibits:**



**Hockey** until January 2024



Poppa Wilson: A Folk Art Story until January 2024

#### **Upcoming Exhibits:**



Exiles in Our Own Country: Japanese Canadians in Niagara February-July 2024



Generations of an Archive II, 2019 Photo Etchina.

**Generations of an Archive**February-July 2024

29.5" x 40" Emma Nishimura

#### **Winter Events:**



Santa in the Schoolhouse December 16 and 17



# SHAPE LINCOLN 2051

### **OFFICIAL PLAN REVIEW**

The Town of Lincoln is reviewing its Official Plan (OP) to guide growth and development until 2051, aligning with regional and provincial policies. An open house was held on Dec. 4 for members of the public to review and provide feedback on the revised draft Official Plan. We thank all members of the public for attending. A Public Meeting is scheduled for Jan. 15 to initiate the process to review and update the Official Plan.















### **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 work will continue through 2023, with public consultation tentatively scheduled for 2024.

#### Watermain Work in 2023

The Town has completed the proactive replacement of the watermain on Bartlett Road from Union Road to Hinan Drive. The replacement took place due to the old cast iron piping that had a higher frequency of breaks. Federal funding supported this initiative through the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program.



### **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 align with the larger Regional King Street Reconstruction Project to minimize disruption in 2024.

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 & 3**(Konkle Creek Trail to Bartlett Road – Ward 1)

Greenlane within Beamsville's urban boundary (Konkle 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. The Schedule "C" Environmental Assessment is expected to be completed in Q3 2024, with detailed design of the preferred alternative to commence shortly thereafter.



### **Frost Road Bridge Replacement**

The Frost Road Bridge was removed in 2019 due to its poor condition and had previously been closed to traffic approximately 17 years prior. It is proposed to evaluate cost effective design options to reinstate a bridge crossing in consultation with stakeholders and the public. Detailed design will be completed in Q4 2023, with public consultation tentatively scheduled for Q4 2023.



### **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 purchasing BDSS. The Town has a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) in place with the District School Board of Niagara (DSBN) on purchasing BDSS. Public engagement opportunities are expected in early to mid 2024.













### 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.

Design work will begin effective immediately and continue into 2024. The Town plans to host a Public Information Centre (PIC) in March 2024 to allow members of the public to engage with the project team, ask questions, and review the preliminary design drawings. The PIC details will be shared through direct mail, social media, the Speak Up Lincoln webpage, and Lincoln.ca as more information becomes available. Please





### **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.

Thank you to all members of the public who attended and provided feedback on this project at the Public Information Centre (PIC) in September. Please visit our Speak Up Lincoln page for ongoing updates on this project.

visit our Speak Up Lincoln page to engage with us and

learn more about this new project.









### **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 tendering and construction planned for Q1 2024.

### Ward 2 Town Hall

Thank you to everyone who attended our Ward 2 Town Hall on Sept. 19. We are always pleased to engage directly with residents. As always, feel free to reach out to us with any questions or concerns.



### **Thirty Road Reconstruction**

Thirty Road from King Street to the south Town limit requires full road reconstruction to improve road user safety, proactively address potential slope erosion concerns and accommodate increased traffic in the area. This project involves completion of the detailed design package and contract

documents in advance of construction. Detailed design is underway, with expected completion in Q1 2025.



### **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 and siltation removal) to restore its original design capacity and help alleviate localized flooding issues. Construction is ongoing and the entire drain is expected to take up to four weeks to clean (weather permitting).















### **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 remains well ahead of schedule, achieving remarkable progress in the revitalization of Main Street, which is anticipated to be completed in Q4 2023. Additionally, Phase 5, involving the signalization of the King Street intersection, is set to be finalized in spring 2024.

Notably, the installation of wayfinding pillars has been successfully completed. As you pass through the area, you will spot the pedestrian square and a prominent pillar with the lettering "Jordan." Residents will also notice the continued implementation of street pavers, streetlighting, planting beds, and various other improvements that will further enhance the beauty of our village!



### Sho'aríshon Park (formerly Jordan Hollow)

Lincoln, with a history spanning 12,000 years, holds significance as an Indigenous settlement in Southern Ontario. The village of Jordan has archaeological evidence of Attawandaron settlement dating to the early 1600s, situated near a Neutral Nation site just 500m from the park.

The Town has finalized its plans to redevelop the park. In honouring Indigenous history and that of the Neutral Nation, in June of this year the space was renamed Sho'aríshon (So-ah-ree-son) Park.

Currently in the detailed design phase, the park's redevelopment has included close collaboration between the Town, the Region, Indigenous advisors, environmental stakeholders, and design consultants. Project next steps include finalizing the design, with construction scheduled to commence in spring 2024.







### **Prudhommes Development and Supporting Infrastructure**

Commercial development is underway, with the new Tim Hortons already open for business. The Town continues to review proposals in respect to density and heights to ensure alignment with the Town's Zoning Bylaw, the Regional Official Plan Review and the Town's existing Official Plan.

To support the Prudhommes Development, the Town is upgrading municipal water servicing, involving 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.

In anticipation of the Prudhommes Landing Subdivision development, the Town of Lincoln is upgrading the sanitary sewers on Dustan Street and Laurie Avenue, along with the installation of new sewers throughout the Prudhommes Landing Subdivision. Construction of these upgrades is currently underway, and substantial completion is expected by the end of 2023. Median restorations and final road paving will follow in spring 2024.

A developer-led public meeting took place in November for the 4933 Victoria Avenue North development application, and we thank all members of the public who attended and provided valuable feedback. Stay up-to-date on this project by visiting our Speak Up Lincoln site.





### **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 now complete. The EA Study Report will be finalized in Q4 2023 and will be made available for a 30-day public review period. This report will encompass the feedback received during the Public Information Centre. An RFP will be issued for detailed design services in Q4 2023.





### **Red Maple Avenue Road Reconstruction**

The storm sewer installation and paving on Bridgeport Drive has been completed. Storm sewer installations on Red Maple Avenue are continuing to the end of 2023. During construction, limited access is provided on Red Maple Avenue; emergency services will retain access, and motorists are advised to use Prince William Street for access to Nineteenth Street.







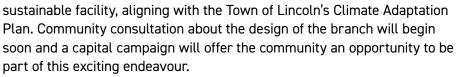






### **Rittenhouse Reimagined**

Due to the rapid expansion of our vibrant community, the Lincoln Pelham Public Library is working to secure funding from upper levels of government to transform the Rittenhouse branch into a centre of community innovation and inclusivity. 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





### **Cherry Avenue Road Rehabilitation**

The Town's Road Rehabilitation program for 2023 has been making significant strides, with the Cherry Avenue project nearing completion. This project plays a vital role in linking various tourism destinations, including several wineries, Ball's Falls, and other destinations in Lincoln. Cherry Avenue has been resurfaced using an innovative technique known as a bonded wearing course, designed to offer a smoother and more accommodating riding surface for cyclists. This particular stretch of road has been identified as a key cycling route in the Town's Active Transportation Action Plan.

During the summer, the project saw the successful replacement of culverts and the placement of asphalt padding in preparation for the new road surface. Milling and paving work on the three hill sections were also carried out, contributing to the overall enhancement of the roadway. In early fall, the final bonded wearing course surface was laid, followed by line painting of stop bars, edge lines along the new swale, and a centerline to improve safety and navigation. With the culmination of these surface improvements, a flashing beacon was installed along Cherry Avenue's northbound lane, near Moyer Road, further enhancing the safety and usability of this route.





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 of Lincoln completed two Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (EA) studies to develop long-term solutions to address continued flooding and erosion damage along the Lake Ontario shoreline between Thirty Road and Victoria Avenue. High water levels and isolated flooding events since 2017 have eroded the shoreline and damaged the roads along it significantly.

In addition to needing a solution to halt the long-term erosion of the Lake Ontario shoreline, the affected roadways along it provide access to private property as well as public viewing areas of the lakefront and as such are critical to maintain to ensure safe access is available for residents, visitors, and emergency services. Together, the EA studies recommended various solutions to remediate areas along the shoreline and either repair or relocate five local roads including

Lakeshore Road, Lakeside Drive, Sandy Cove Drive, Thirty Road and Verity Lane.

Learn more about the project, next steps and the preferred solutions on Speak Up Lincoln.







### MAYOR EASTON & TOWN OF LINCOLN COUNCIL INVITE RESIDENTS TO:



### RING IN THE NEW YEAR WITH YOUR MAYOR & COUNCIL



Enjoy free family activities (including a free skate)



Chat with your neighbours & friends



Enjoy light refreshments and craft beverages





# KEEP IT CLEAR

Lincoln's Keep it Clear program remains in full effect this winter season. When a Keep it Clear event is declared, vehicles are NOT permitted to park on Town streets or impede sidewalks.

### Stay informed during KEEP IT CLEAR events!

The Town will aim to notify residents of a Keep it Clear event on Lincoln.ca and social media by the end of business day prior, and local media will also be alerted to ensure widespread awareness.

The Keep it Clear event will

Vehicle owners who do not remove their vehicles from the road during a declared Keep it Clear event will be subject to a \$75 fine.

typically last 72 hours.



