



NOTICE

MEETING: Committee of the Whole

DATE: Wednesday, December 3rd, 2025

TIME: 5:00pm

PLACE: Council Chambers, 8296 Highway 7, Sherbrooke

Please Advise If Unable To Attend



Municipality of the District of St. Mary's

Committee of the Whole (COTW) Meeting
Wednesday, December 3rd, 2025

We acknowledge that we are gathering in Mi'kmaqi the traditional unceded territory of the Mi'kmaq people.

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Additions to the Agenda
4. Approval of the Agenda
5. Approval of Minutes of COTW held Wednesday November 19th, 2025
6. Business Arising from Minutes
 - a. Feedback from Council for Curbside Waste Collection Contract RFP
7. Correspondence
 - a. Letter from Department of Municipal Affairs - Honourable John A. MacDonald
November 24, 2025
8. Presentation:
 - a. Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP) – Quarterly Update
9. Other Matters of Business
 - a. Staff Report – Policing Review
 - b. Staff Report – Housing Accelerator Fund Update
 - c. Staff Report – Extended Producer Responsibility

Adjournment



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1. Meeting, Date & Time:

Warden Fuller called the COTW Meeting of the St. Mary's Municipal Council to order on Wednesday, November 19th, 2025, at 5:25pm in the Council Chambers, Sherbrooke, N.S.

2. Attending:

Warden James Fuller
Deputy Warden Beulah Malloy
Councillor Dana O'Connell
Councillor Scott Beaver

Absent with Regrets:

Councillor Emma Tibbo

Also Attending:

Lesley McFarlane, Chief Administrative Officer (CAO)
Jadzia Rudolph, Municipal Clerk
Keren Ruller, Director of Economic Development

3. Additions to the Agenda:

- There were no additions to the agenda.

4. Approval of the Agenda:

Warden Fuller called for any additions to the agenda, hearing none, Council approved the agenda as presented.

Motion approved.

5. Approval of Minutes:

Warden Fuller called for error, omissions or amendments to the minutes, hearing no errors, omissions or amendments to the previous minutes, Council approved the minutes of the COTW Meeting held November 3rd, 2025.

Motion approved.

6. Business Arising from the Minutes:

- There was no business arising from the minutes.
- Council would like to thank MLA, Greg Morrow, Guysborough-Tracadie and the anonymous donor for their kind donations making the opening night of Christmas at Sherbrooke Village admission free for residents.

7. Correspondence:

- a. Letter from Mary Burns regarding the Whale Sanctuary Project
- Please see the agenda/package for the correspondence.
 - The Warden will reply informing that the email was received and read at the meeting.

8. Other Matters of Business:

- a. Staff Report – Requesting Inputs on Collection Contract
 - Please see the agenda/package for the staff report.
 - Lesley McFarlane informed Council that the current contract for curbside collection is due for renewal. This contract is for the collection, removal and disposal of residential garbage and two stream recyclables for all year-round and seasonal households (including multi-unit buildings) and businesses on all public roads designated throughout the Municipality.
 - Staff will post a Request for Proposals (RFP) for a 5-year contract for curbside collection. Staff ask that Council suggest changes needed for the new RFP for curbside collection.
 - Council asked if we could table this item to provide time to collect feedback from their constituents.
 - Council expressed interest in seeing costing options for an extension in weekly pick up with the associated impact on property taxes.
- b. Staff Report - 2025 Tourism Summary Report
 - Please see the agenda/package for the report.
 - Keren Ruller, Director of Economic Development provided Council with an overview of the 2025 tourism summary.
 - This overview is a combination of website analytics, advertising campaign analytics, Facebook analytics, and the budget summary.

9. In-Camera: Contract Negotiations

On motion of Councillor O'Connell seconded by Councillor Beaver Council move In-Camera for Contract Negotiations at 5:52pm.

Motion approved.

On motion of Deputy Warden Malloy seconded by Councillor O'Connell Council agreed to reconvene to regular session at 6:26pm.

Motion approved.

Adjournment

On motion of Warden Fuller there being no further matters of business, Council adjourned at 6:27pm.

Motion approved.



**Municipal Affairs
Office of the Minister**

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November 24, 2025

Dear Mayors, Wardens and Chiefs:

I have enjoyed my visits and discussions to date with municipal councillors and councils and look forward to ultimately getting to visit and know everyone. Your dedication to sustainably provide the services that your constituents expect is obvious. Thank you for your commitment.

No matter where you live in Nova Scotia, you deserve to know how your local government is funded and how the management of that funding translates into reliable and accessible local services.

As we head into heavy budget discussions and as I familiarize myself with your community and its circumstances, I wanted to take a step back and get a 50,000 foot view of the big picture financial situation landscape. This led me to creating the attached spreadsheet. It's comprehensive. I included every community and am sharing it in its entirety to be transparent and fair. I want every local government to see the same data I am seeing.

Please review and fact check the numbers for your community. If there are discrepancies, please advise. If your numbers are skewed by any one-off items or unique situations, that is also important to highlight. We need to make decisions based on the best possible data.

There are no shortage of funding requests, and we will have to make difficult decisions. The Province has already started scaling back program funding across the board and changing hiring processes as we deal with the current financial challenges.

We work very hard to be fair in making decisions. It's never easy. Need and outcomes always drive the process, but this data reminds us that the needs across the province truly are different and there is often a different sense of urgency.

Thank you in advance. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out to me directly.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'John A. MacDonald'.

John A. MacDonald
Minister of Municipal Affairs

c: CAOs and Councillors

Total Revenue per Capita

Based on actual reported revenue for the year

Position	Community / Municipality	Reporting Date	Population	Revenue	Revenue Per Capita
	a	b	c	d	e=d/c
2	Annapolis Valley First Nation	31-Mar-25	329	\$ 17,978,068	\$ 54,645
11	Bear River Frist Nation	31-Mar-25	399	\$ 10,286,296	\$ 25,780
46	Cape Breton Regional Municipality	31-Mar-24	107,391	\$ 210,590,341	\$ 1,961
13	Eskasoni First Nation	31-Mar-22	4,711	\$ 98,606,463	\$ 20,931
8	Glooscap First Nation	31-Mar-25	450	\$ 14,242,176	\$ 31,649
40	Halifax Regional Municipality	31-Mar-24	502,753	\$ 1,167,819,000	\$ 2,323
1	Membertou First Nation	31-Mar-25	1,686	\$ 102,851,953	\$ 61,004
10	Millbrook First Nation	31-Mar-25	2,472	\$ 69,126,805	\$ 27,964
62	Municipality of the County of Annapolis	31-Mar-24	20,472	\$ 22,785,623	\$ 1,113
59	Municipality of the County of Antigonish	31-Mar-24	16,142	\$ 21,099,306	\$ 1,307
60	Municipality of the County of Colchester	31-Mar-24	39,054	\$ 50,215,724	\$ 1,286
30	Municipality of the County of Cumberland	31-Mar-24	21,053	\$ 61,561,183	\$ 2,924
31	Municipality of the County of Inverness	31-Mar-24	13,945	\$ 40,083,093	\$ 2,874
48	Municipality of the County of Kings	31-Mar-24	52,114	\$ 93,468,000	\$ 1,794
55	Municipality of the County of Pictou	31-Mar-24	21,853	\$ 31,437,082	\$ 1,439
38	Municipality of the County of Richmond	31-Mar-24	9,422	\$ 23,830,526	\$ 2,529
22	Municipality of the County of Victoria	31-Mar-24	7,009	\$ 28,677,855	\$ 4,092
53	Municipality of the District of Argyle	31-Mar-24	8,247	\$ 13,037,840	\$ 1,581
56	Municipality of the District of Barrington	31-Mar-24	6,890	\$ 9,535,189	\$ 1,384
43	Municipality of the District of Chester	31-Mar-24	11,848	\$ 26,408,837	\$ 2,229
58	Municipality of the District of Clare	31-Mar-24	7,984	\$ 10,473,502	\$ 1,312
57	Municipality of the District of Digby	31-Mar-24	7,636	\$ 10,469,683	\$ 1,371
47	Municipality of the District of East Hants	31-Mar-24	26,370	\$ 50,639,088	\$ 1,920
24	Municipality of the District of Guysborough	31-Mar-24	4,754	\$ 16,828,210	\$ 3,540
61	Municipality of the District of Lunenburg	31-Mar-24	26,805	\$ 30,432,867	\$ 1,135
50	Municipality of the District of Shelburne	31-Mar-24	4,515	\$ 7,963,710	\$ 1,764
49	Municipality of the District of St. Mary's	31-Mar-24	2,286	\$ 4,093,304	\$ 1,791
54	Municipality of the District of Yarmouth	31-Mar-24	10,996	\$ 16,245,961	\$ 1,477
4	Paqtnkek Mi'kmaw Nation	31-Mar-24	614	\$ 31,081,086	\$ 50,621
5	Pictou Landing First Nation	31-Mar-24	694	\$ 28,864,372	\$ 41,591
7	Potlotek First Nation	31-Mar-24	859	\$ 28,601,322	\$ 33,296
34	Region of Queens Municipality	31-Mar-24	10,866	\$ 28,433,216	\$ 2,617
12	Sipekne'katik First Nation	31-Mar-24	3,068	\$ 74,123,072	\$ 24,160
44	Town of Amherst	31-Mar-24	10,033	\$ 22,140,825	\$ 2,207
20	Town of Annapolis Royal	31-Mar-24	619	\$ 3,162,703	\$ 5,109
14	Town of Antigonish	31-Mar-24	4,925	\$ 39,778,332	\$ 8,077
17	Town of Berwick	31-Mar-24	2,658	\$ 19,734,447	\$ 7,425
28	Town of Bridgewater	31-Mar-24	9,851	\$ 30,510,638	\$ 3,097
45	Town of Clark's Harbour	31-Mar-24	766	\$ 1,613,733	\$ 2,107
29	Town of Digby	31-Mar-24	2,046	\$ 6,324,045	\$ 3,091
41	Town of Kentville	31-Mar-24	7,473	\$ 17,166,399	\$ 2,297
27	Town of Lockeport	31-Mar-24	498	\$ 1,636,181	\$ 3,286
15	Town of Lunenburg	31-Mar-24	2,532	\$ 19,923,013	\$ 7,868
16	Town of Mahone Bay	31-Mar-23	1,179	\$ 8,990,374	\$ 7,625
42	Town of Middleton	31-Mar-24	2,097	\$ 4,778,137	\$ 2,279
21	Town of Mulgrave	31-Mar-24	609	\$ 2,954,720	\$ 4,852
32	Town of New Glasgow	31-Mar-24	10,234	\$ 28,848,900	\$ 2,819
35	Town of Oxford	31-Mar-24	1,352	\$ 3,456,624	\$ 2,557
18	Town of Pictou	31-Mar-24	3,198	\$ 16,460,705	\$ 5,147
26	Town of Port Hawkesbury	31-Mar-24	3,356	\$ 11,089,243	\$ 3,304
23	Town of Shelburne	31-Mar-24	1,725	\$ 6,799,339	\$ 3,942
37	Town of Stellarton	31-Mar-24	4,209	\$ 10,693,592	\$ 2,541
19	Town of Stewiacke	31-Mar-24	1,858	\$ 9,509,865	\$ 5,118
39	Town of Trenton	31-Mar-24	2,540	\$ 6,402,289	\$ 2,521
33	Town of Truro	31-Mar-24	14,197	\$ 39,171,909	\$ 2,759
52	Town of Westville	31-Mar-24	3,716	\$ 6,234,033	\$ 1,678
36	Town of Wolfville	31-Mar-24	5,526	\$ 14,061,568	\$ 2,545
25	Town of Yarmouth	31-Mar-24	6,830	\$ 22,789,723	\$ 3,337
6	Wagmatcook First Nation	31-Mar-25	936	\$ 37,471,811	\$ 40,034
9	Wasoqopa'q First Nation	31-Mar-25	2,041	\$ 59,105,602	\$ 28,959
3	We'koqma'q L'nue'kati First Nation	31-Mar-24	1,130	\$ 57,530,809	\$ 50,912
51	West Hants Regional Municipality	31-Mar-24	20,177	\$ 35,245,370	\$ 1,747
Total			1,083,998	2,995,475,682	
			Average	\$	2,763



GUYSBOROUGH DISTRICT RCMP

Enforcement & Involvement around St. Mary's

April 2025 – July 2025

Highlights

- Cst. Tammy Hudak presented to various communities throughout the county on Fraud Prevention. She paired up with Royal Bank staff to present on current trends and how residents can stay safe from becoming a victim of fraud. One of the community centres visited in St. Mary's was Goshen.
- Sgt. Natasha Farrell held a Town Hall meeting in Indian Harbour Lake. The meeting was held to help the RCMP choose annual priorities for the RCMP to focus on in the area.
- Guysborough District RCMP gave out positive tickets to youth in the community that demonstrated safety (wearing a helmet, crossing the street safely) or being a good neighbour. Each positive ticket was cased in for a jumbo freezie at any of the three RCMP detachments in the District.



ROAD SAFETY – Current Priority

- ❑ Check Stops, speeding enforcement, school zone safety and combating impaired driving.

April 11th RCMP intercepted an impaired driver in County Harbour. RCMP arrested the driver for suspected impaired operation of a conveyance and driving with more than 80 mg of alcohol in his blood. Breath samples confirmed that the driver was over the legal limit. The driver was issued a driving suspension and released to appear in Antigonish Provincial Court.

On April 27th RCMP stopped a vehicle on Highway 316 near Isaacs Harbour. The officer noticed the driver was displaying signs of impairment. The driver was arrested for impaired operation of a conveyance and transported to the detachment to provide a sample of his breath. The driver was issued a driving suspension and will speak to criminal charges in Antigonish Provincial Court on June 25th at 9:30 AM.

Check stops were completed in Sonora and Goshen

BUILDING COMMUNITY RELATIONSHIPS / COMMUNITY POLICING – Current Priority

Cst. Thordarson attended Smokey Hollow Days

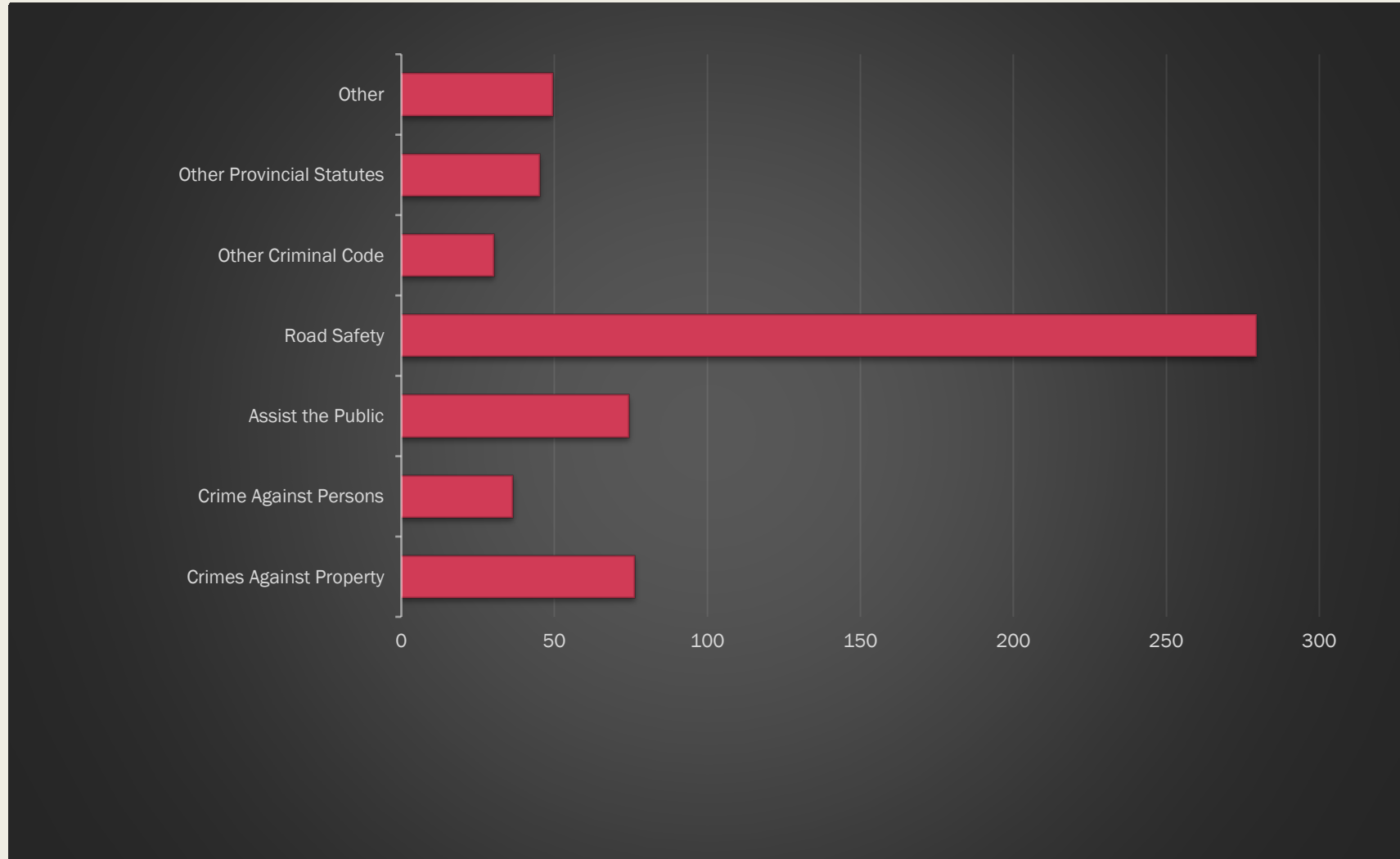
Cpl. Doucette & Cst Feeke attended the school for
'walking around the world'

Cpl. Doucette attended the Sherbrooke Day Camp

Cpl. Doucette & Sgt. Farrell attended the Career Fair
at St. Mary's Education Centre Academy



Summary of Calls



April 1 – July 31 2024 vs 2025

2024

Total Calls	242
911 Misuse	27
Criminal Charges	6
Provincial Traffic Charges	35
Traffic Warnings	26
Mental Health	4
Intimate Partner Violence	6

2025

Total Calls	212
911 Misuse	21
Criminal Charges	7
Provincial Traffic Charges	16
Traffic Warnings	29
Mental Health	11
Intimate Partner Violence	5

Upcoming Events

- Local RCMP will be holding a 'Cram a Cruiser' event for the local food bank in December.
- Last year three truckloads of groceries and \$1000 cash was donated to help fill food pantry shelves for the holidays.



QUESTIONS ?

Policing Review

SUMMARY

The Policing Review recommendations are now being finalized and presented to Councils.

BACKGROUND

Nova Scotia Department of Justice announced a Comprehensive Policing Review in 2023. An Engagement Advisory Committee was stood up in 2024 to provide a path for public consultation which took place throughout 2024.

The Minister of Justice is now conducting meetings with all Nova Scotia Municipalities to review the findings of the review and clarify next steps.

On November 18th, the Municipality of the District of St. Mary's and the Municipality of the District of Guysborough jointly met with Minister of Justice, Scott Armstrong, Associate Deputy Minister Michelle Higgins, and Executive Director of Public Safety and Security Division Hayley Crichton. Department of Justice staff provided a presentation on review outcomes and six proposed foundational changes.

CONSIDERATIONS

The attached presentation was provided.

Detailed meetings will be scheduled with staff to follow up.



Nova Scotia Comprehensive Policing Review Meetings with Municipalities

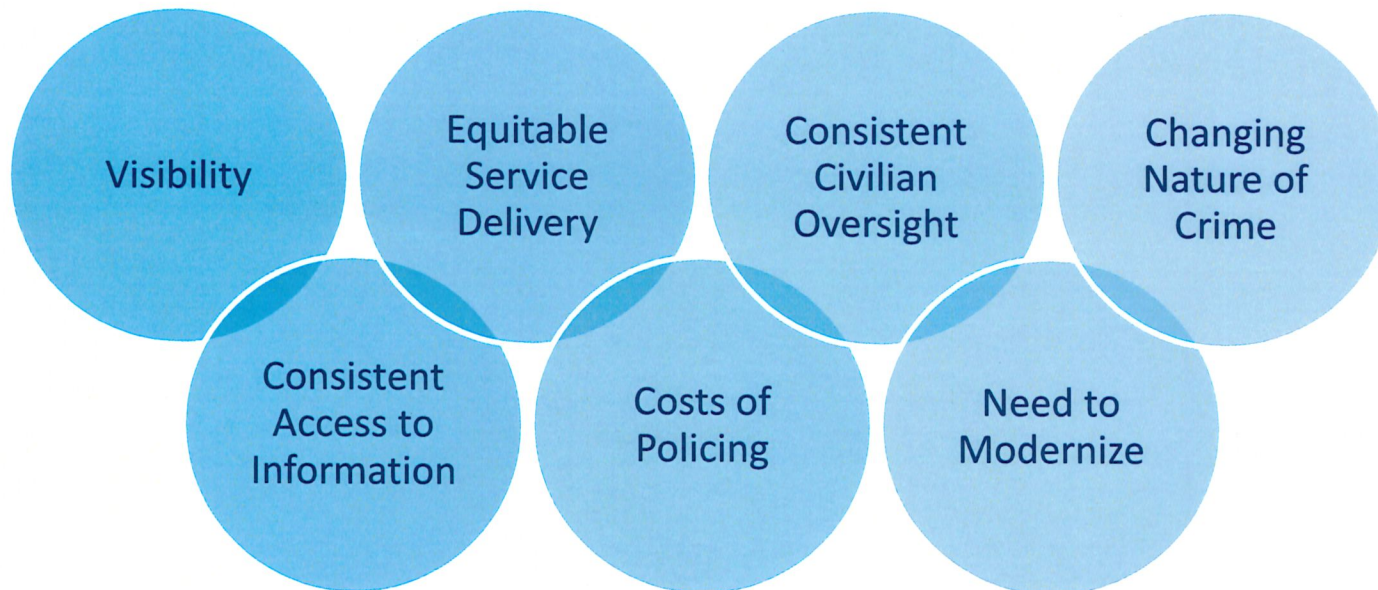
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Introductions



What We Heard/Learned



Context

Policing Service	Number of Personnel*	Number of FTE Sworn Officers	Population Served**	Geographic Area (sq km)
Amherst Police Department	47	27	9,700	12
Annapolis Royal Police Service	11	4.5	530	2
Bridgewater Police Service	41	24	8,800	14
Cape Breton Regional Police Service	268	200	105,000	2,500
Halifax Regional Police Service	779	565	439,900	5,475
Kentville Police Service	22	19	6,630	17
New Glasgow Regional Police Service	46	33	12,500	10
Stellarton Police Service	16	15	4,000	9
Truro Police Service	51	35	13,000	38
Westville Police Service	9	6	3,500	14
RCMP "H" Division	1,447	960	476,100	47,193
Total	2,737	1,888.5	***	
Provincial Average (Weighted)				

Review Outcome

- Deloitte's recommendations outline a path forward that will ensure policing in Nova Scotia is consistent, responsive, community-focused, and equipped to meet the evolving needs of our province.
- The Report recommends the implementation of foundational changes, and the expansion of the provincial police service.

Foundational Changes

1. **Unified Records Management System:** A single, province-wide records management system for all police agencies to improve data sharing, coordination, and oversight, and to support evidence-based decision-making.
2. **Enhanced Police Resourcing:** Ensuring that police services across the province are adequately resourced to increase visibility, responsiveness, and meaningful engagement with the communities they serve.
3. **Layered Policing Model:** Introducing deployment of Community Safety Officers and Special Constables allowing for more effective responses to a range of public safety needs, while enabling sworn officers to focus on core policing duties.
4. **Establishment of Community Safety Boards:** Providing civilian oversight and governance across the full spectrum of public safety services, including law enforcement, Community Safety Officers and Special Constables, enhancing transparency, accountability and community trust.
5. **Provincial Policing Standards:** Augmenting existing standards and introducing new ones to ensure consistent, high-quality service delivery across Nova Scotia. New standards will also include training requirements for all officers in cultural competency and the experiences of vulnerable populations.
6. **A New Billing Framework:** We will implement a revised billing framework for municipalities served by the RCMP, promoting financial sustainability, transparency, and enabling reinvestment into local, community-driven safety initiatives for municipalities policed by the RCMP.

Municipal Choice

Municipalities will have choice in this process to ensure public safety is paramount as we implement this new model together:

1. Maintain your existing municipal policing agency and provide all policing services which meet or exceed provincial policing standards, including augmented and new standards, at your cost.
2. Maintain your existing municipal policing agency and contract with the RCMP, at your cost, to receive services that your municipal policing agency cannot provide; or
3. Transition to the provincial police at a shared cost.

For those communities policed by the RCMP, the intent of the Department of Justice is to:

- Move away from the rigid per-officer cost model
- Transition to a sustainable and affordable model that ensures we are able to support appropriate staffing levels across RCMP-policed areas

Discussion

Housing Accelerator Fund (HAF) Update

SUMMARY

This staff report provides an update on the status of the municipality's multi-year Housing Accelerator Fund (HAF).

BACKGROUND

The HAF program contains six Initiatives, with three to four Milestones within each:

1. Infrastructure Growth Viability Assessment (Water and Wastewater)
2. Permitting Enhancements of Processes, Policies and Resources
3. Capacity Building through supporting Non-Profit Housing Association(s)
4. Affordable Housing Incentives
5. Coastal and Watershed Planning with Climate Change Mitigation and Adaptation
6. Recovery of Underdeveloped and Idle Land

Eight of the 19 Milestones are now complete. Work continues on the remainder. The first annual progress report will be due to be submitted in January 2026.

Key Activities by Initiative:

1. Prepare a design and implementation strategy for the design and implementation of a water tower to enable growth.
2. Integrating with Municipality of District of Guysborough's e-permitting software, enabling improved building permit services to residents and developers. Working with ZZAP on policy development that will promote affordable housing incentives.
3. Supporting non-profit housing organizations by ensuring governance structure is in place and establishing active ongoing relationships.
4. Incentives crafted to encourage building and using existing secondary units, hosted information sessions and prioritizing incentives for development. This Initiative is complete.
5. This Initiative is planned for 2026, and will include developing a Flood Risk Action Plan including mitigation, adaptation and Land Use By-Law adjustments.
6. This Initiative includes a draft policy for Dangerous and Unsightly Premises to encourage underused and vacant property for housing, as well as a draft policy for Surplus Land, and conducting tax sales in early 2026.

CONSIDERATIONS

An updated HAF program 2024-2028 Multi Year Budget is provided for information.

Municipality of the District of St. Mary's Housing Accelerator Fund - 2024-2028 Multi Year Budget			
	Total Budget	Total Actuals	Balance to Date
HAF Revenue Yearly	775,560	193,890	581,670
	775,560	193,890	581,670
			-
I1 Engineer Study on Water/Waste Water Capacity & Housing Strategy	48,000	15,957	32,043
I1 Engineer Study on Source Water Capacity	15,000	-	15,000
Priority Improvement to W/WW Systems	470,442	14,083	456,359
			-
I2 E-permitting software	127,236	-	127,236
			-
I3 Non-Profit Housing Contributions	62,682	-	62,682
			-
I4 Affordable Housing Incentives	26,200	-	26,200
			-
I5 Action Plan for Flood Risk LUB Review	15,000	-	15,000
			-
I6 Dangerous & Unsightly Policy Update	11,000	-	11,000
	775,560	30,040	745,520

Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR)

SUMMARY

Extended Producer Responsibility for Paper and Packaging Products came into effect in Nova Scotia on December 1st, 2025. This report informs Council of the key changes under this program.

BACKGROUND

On August 1, 2023, the Nova Scotia Department of Environment and Climate Change approved the Extended Producer Responsibility for Packaging, Paper Products and Packaging-Like Products Regulations. The program, which launched December 1st, 2025, shifts financial and operational responsibility of packaging and paper recycling from municipalities to producers to improve recycling rates and encourage more efficient use of materials.

Under the EPR program, residents continue to receive similar curbside recycling services with changes intended to enhance recycling daily routines, for example the same materials are recyclable no matter where you live across the province.

Circular Materials is the organization responsible for ensuring producers meet their regulatory requirements. Circular Materials is a national not-for-profit organization that is responsible to build efficient and effective recycling systems where materials are collected, recycled and returned to producers to use as recycled content in new packaging and paper. As the producer responsibility organization (PRO) for packaging and paper in Nova Scotia, Circular Materials is responsible for operating the new recycling system.

The municipality has now entered a contract with Circular Materials.

CONSIDERATIONS

Under the new EPR program, curbside collection will continue and will now include more items. As part of the new program, flexible plastics, aerosol containers and foam packaging will also now be recyclable, by returning these materials to MacMillan's Recycling Depot.

The attached [Recyclable Material List](#) shows what is now [recyclable](#), and how to prepare the materials for disposal. A public communications campaign will now begin to educate the public about the changes. This program will be ongoing, and will include a variety of communications methods. For more information, visit [Recycling in Nova Scotia | Circular Materials](#).

Recyclable material list

Fibre



Material & examples	What to know
	Cardboard boxes Pizza boxes, direct mail boxes, moving boxes, shoe boxes. ☒ Place flattened and bundled cardboard 60 x 60 cm next to blue bags at the curb. ☒ Empty.
	Boxboard Cereal boxes, tissue boxes, egg cartons, rolls from toilet paper and paper towel. ☒ Flatten. ☒ Empty.
	Paper Any colour, including flour bags, prescription bags, paper produce bags. Notebooks, white or coloured loose paper, file folders, other printed materials. Community newspapers, flyers, brochures and magazines. Greeting cards and envelopes, gift boxes. ☒ Place shredded paper in a tied clear plastic bag. ☒ Separate from plastic bags used to cover items, remove elastic bands. ☒ Remove rope handle from bags. ☒ Do not include soft or hard covered books/novels.

For details on what goes where, visit circularmaterials.ca/NS.

Recyclable material list

Paper/fibre



Material & examples		What to know
	Paper laminate packaging Plates, flour bags, paper and gift bags, muffin or sandwich bags.	☒ Empty.

For details on what goes where, visit circularmaterials.ca/NS.

Recyclable material list

Containers



Material & examples		What to know
	Plastic containers Laundry detergent and household cleaner jugs, shampoo, body wash, salad dressing, condiment, dish soap, mouth wash bottles.	☒ Empty. ☒ Lids and caps on.
	Food trays, salad, yogurt, peanut butter, bakery and egg containers, plastic cups, plastic tubs and lids.	
	Toothpaste tubes, deodorant, hand cream tubes.	
	Small item packaging, hand sanitizer bottles, plant pots.	

For details on what goes where, visit circularmaterials.ca/NS.

Recyclable material list

Containers



Material & examples	What to know
	Plastic film Plastic that can be stretched. Bags used for dry cleaning, bread, newspapers and flyers. Sandwich bags, freezer bags, shrink wrap. ☒ Empty.
	Paper laminate packaging Spiral cans, cookie dough package, ice cream containers, and hot and cold beverage cups. ☒ Rinse and dry. ☒ Remove lids.
	Cartons Dairy and dairy substitute cartons, molasses and sugar cartons, laundry and cleaning cartons, soup and sauce cartons, coffee cartons. ☒ Rinse and dry. ☒ Lids and caps on.

For details on what goes where, visit circularmaterials.ca/NS.

Recyclable material list

Containers



Material & examples		What to know
	Metal Food cans, metal lids, candle, cookie, coffee and tea tins.	☒ Rinse and dry.
	Aluminum (foils and trays) Aluminum foil, pie plates, frozen food trays.	☒ Empty. ☒ Ball up aluminum foil.
	Glass containers Clear and coloured glass. Food containers, jars and bottles. Cosmetic containers, spice bottles, oil and vinegar bottles.	☒ Empty. ☒ Lids and caps off.

For details on what goes where, visit circularmaterials.ca/NS.

Recyclable material list

Participating drop-off locations



Material & examples	What to know
	Aerosol containers Food spray, hairspray, air fresheners, shaving cream, deodorant. ☒ Empty. ☒ Lids and caps on.
	Flexible plastics Coffee or deli pouches, chip bags, bubble wrap, vacuum packaging, candy and snack wrappers, cereal liner bags, gift bags. ☒ Empty.
	Foam packaging Meat trays, takeout containers, cups, plates, bowls, foam packaging. ☒ Empty. ☒ Remove film wrap and absorbent pads from meat trays.

Find a participating drop-off location near you: circularmaterials.ca/NSdepots