

Woodside Visioning

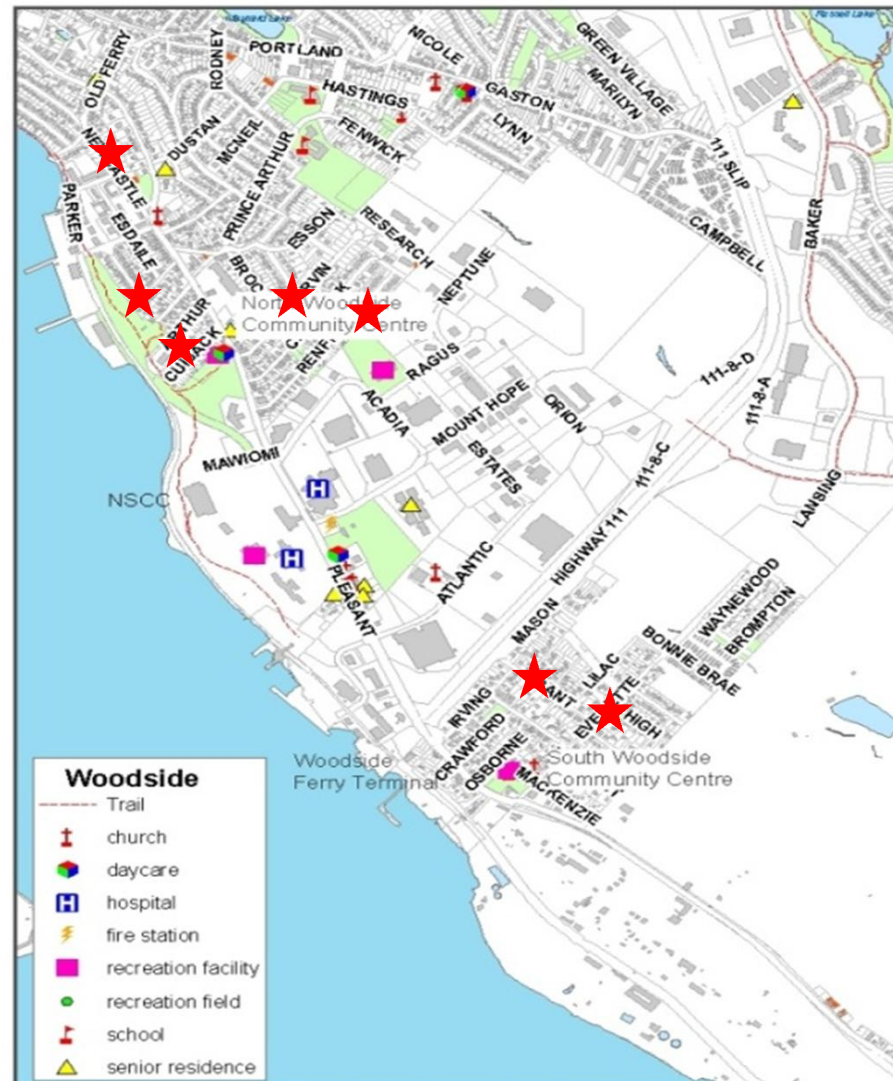
- Welcome
- Introductions



The Current Community Liaison Group Members

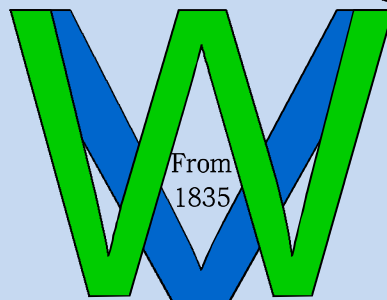
- Elizabeth Crook
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CLG Member Distribution





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WHAT WILL YOUR
WOODSIDE LOOK LIKE?

A Community with a View!

What is Community Visioning

- A process of developing consensus among residents and other stakeholders on what the community should look like, feel like and be like 5, 10, and 20 years into the future”

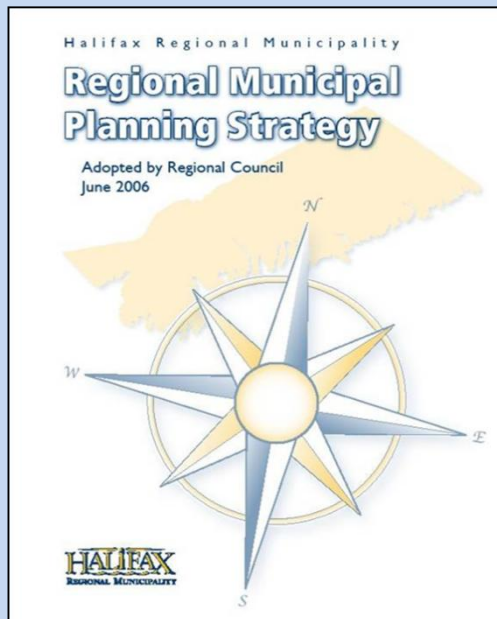


What is considered in Visioning

- Broader than land use planning
 - Activities (working, shopping, recreation, transportation)
 - Places (built environment)
 - Natural environment
 - Community (social networks)
 - Quality of Life (health and wellbeing)

Visioning and the Regional Plan

- Community Visioning is a tool to implement the Regional Plan at the local level



Woodside & the Regional Plan

- Woodside is defined “Urban Local” center
 - Mix of low medium and high density
 - Established neighbourhoods
 - Residential, commercial, institutional, recreational
 - Connecting point for transit
- It was prioritized for visioning because
 - Existing Ferry Terminal
 - Mount Hope Ave, Ext to Hwy 111 interchange
 - Changing retail uses (Dartmouth Gate)
 - Low & medium residential
 - Above average % unemployment
 - New community college

Public Consultation

- Walk about in June 2010
- Recruitment in Fall
- Community survey spring 2010 (132 responses)
- 2 Fall open houses (North and South Woodside)
- Distribution of Themed Vision statements
- Facebook Page & HRM Website
- Draft Vision launch and presentation event (today)



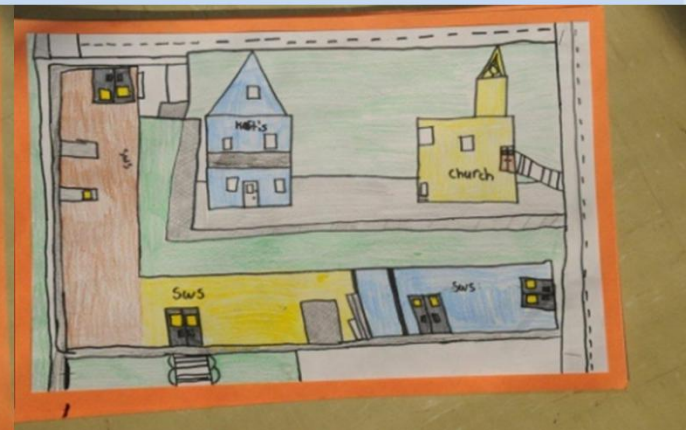
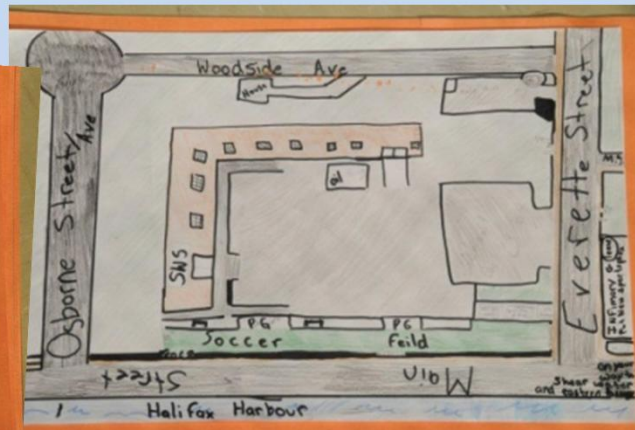
Community Survey Results

(May-June 2011)

- 123 Surveys filled out
- 3 top priorities were :
 - Public Safety
 - Trails, Green space and Waterfront
 - Transportation/Transit /Active Transportation
- Feed back on what works well and what does not
- Lots of positive comments about the community as well as ways to improve our community

Visioning Themes

- Public Safety
- Trails & Greenspace & Waterfront
- Transportation
- Leisure Activities
- Residential & Commercial Development
- Culture & Heritage



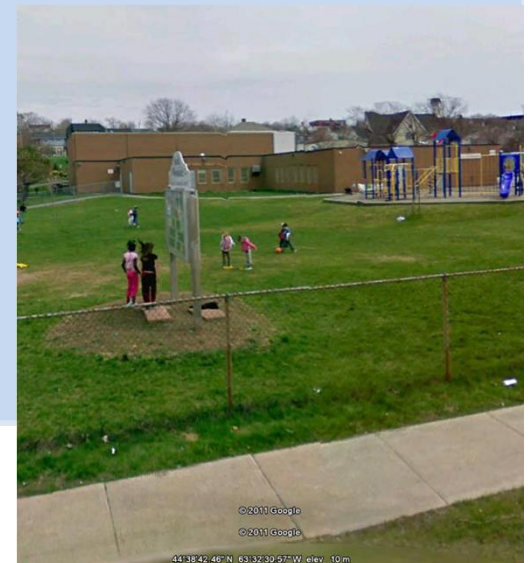
Overall Vision for Woodside

**Our community shines as a destination
with a rich history tied to the diverse
people who live, work and care about
Woodside.**

Public Safety

Woodside is a close knit community where neighbours know one another, look out for each other, and are actively involved in keeping the community safe

- Increase **Police presence** in specific areas
- Use **CPTED principles** in trail, openspace & building development
- Organize more **free and informal** activities for youth



Public Safety

- Identify locations to reduce **traffic speed & volume**
- Pedestrian safety ex. **sidewalk** along Atlantic St.
- Community **networking**. ie neighbourhood watch, community events



Trails, Greenspace & Waterfront

Woodside is a highly sought after, family- oriented community because of its safe and enjoyable network of trails and green spaces, and its celebrated and accessible waterfront. A community that supports a healthy environment and allows families to be physically active

- Inventory, design & prioritize actions on a **open space and trail concept network plan** for Woodside
- A volunteer trails & open space **committee**



Trails, Greenspace & Waterfront

- Formalize a **look off** on Mason St. & identify others
- Community gardens (2)
- Preserve the **urban wildspace** behind Industrial Park
- Extend waterfront trails and develop a well lit **trail for students from parking lot to NSCC**



Transportation

To be the community that continually promotes the improvement and safety of transportation within HRM-Woodside area, with emphasis on, trails, walking and bicycle routes, bus and ferry transit and streets.

- More **frequent bus & ferry** services (ex.NSCC)
- Better **connections** between bus & ferry
- Sheltered bus stop at MetroTransit Ferry Terminal
- Sidewalk, trail and bus stop, bike route **connections**
- A **berm** & jake brake legisl. from truck noise from Circ.



Transportation

- **Bikelanes/routes** on Pleasant St. & to and from the Ferry (with priority given to pedestrians and cyclists at traffic lights)
- **Bike Parking** in front of businesses, institutions
- An **Active Transportation friendly** community (with several bike, walk, bus, boat options)
- Volume and speed of **traffic** & stopping at crosswalk
- **Realign road** Pleasant St. at circ. & add 3rd lane exiting right onto Pleasant St.
- Explore (private) **water taxi** options to Halifax



Leisure & Activities

Woodside is a dynamic community where there is a variety of recreation and leisure opportunities for *all* residents.

- Indoor & outdoor facilities, ie tennis courts, basketball, exercise equipment, skateboard parks
- Inventory existing community ice rink & facilities
- Clubs for youth, seniors & newcomers
- Community events & festivals



Commercial/Residential Development

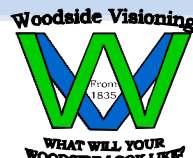
Woodside is a vibrant, welcoming community with a variety of housing options. Amenities and businesses are within walking distance and meets the needs of all residents.

- Medium to high density mixed-use, transit and pedestrian friendly developments
- Ensure that students /residents can walk to school, home and businesses safely



Commercial/Residential Development

- **CPTED** (Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design) principles used to improve neighbourhoods , construction of new commercial & residential development
- Develop Design, Streetscape and landscaping guidelines



Culture & Heritage

Woodside's intriguing past is artistically interpreted throughout the community, providing knowledge and enjoyment for all.

Woodside today is a festive, culturally diverse area with a shared pride in strong community centers and support for the arts.

- A booklet on the **story of Woodside**, proposal in the Dartmouth Museum
- Celebrate story of **Fort Clarence**
- **Welcome** to Woodside Signs
- Welcome new comers



Culture & Heritage

- **Community events** building on existing events, ie Antique Car show, Canada Day, etc
- Hire a student to collect stories and develop an **on-line museum**
- **Signs & public art** to help tell the story of Woodside



What happens next?

- WCLG will review your comments and integrate
- Vision Document will be presented to Regional Council in May 2012
- Recruit for Vision Action Team

Before you leave...

- Discuss the Woodside Vision & Actions
 - Redflags and /or synergies
- Let us know where you sit:
 - Completely disagree with Draft Vision and Action Plan
 - Unsure and sitting on fence
 - Generally Agree and enthusiastic

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THANK YOU!