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**NORTH WEST COMMUNITY COUNCIL**  
January 26, 2006

TO: North West Community Council

FROM:   
Phillip Cox, Chair  
North West Transit Advisory Committee

DATE: January 19, 2006

SUBJECT: TRANSIT SERVICE TO THE COBEQUID COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTRE

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**ORIGIN**

Long term discussion by the Northwest Transit Advisory Committee regarding transit service to the Cobequid Community Health Centre, 5 Glendale Avenue, Sackville, NS B4C 2J3.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

The North West Transit Advisory Committee recommends that the North West Community Council:

**Recommend to Regional Council that Metro Transit be directed to ensure that there is direct transit service available (inbound and outbound) to the new Cobequid Community Health Centre scheduled to open on February 20, 2006.**

**DISCUSSION:**

Since the news of the proposed Cobequid Community Health Centre was announced, the North West Transit Advisory Committee has expressed the importance of direct Metro Transit service to the proposed Centre. As the North West Community Council and Metro Transit are aware, the existing Cobequid Community Health facility has never been satisfactorily serviced by Metro Transit and the relocation of the facility afforded an opportunity to correct this deficiency. Metro Transit staff, in attendance at the Northwest Transit Advisory Committee meetings, were aware of the desire and importance for direct transit service to this facility but have advised that service will be 390m from the entrance which is well within Metro Transit's 500m service standard.

The Northwest Transit Advisory Committee would like the Northwest Community Council to recommend Regional Council encourage Metro Transit to pursue every avenue possible to ensure direct transit service is provided to the Cobequid Community Health Centre. Encouragement to involve all HRM business units necessary (such as Design and Construction Services) and other levels of government, if required, is urged in order to provide direct transit service to the Cobequid Community Health Centre.

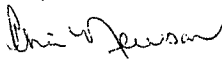
**BUDGET IMPLICATIONS:**

Uncertain at this time.

**ALTERNATIVES:**

None

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