

**Chapter 9: Governance and Implementation – Supplementary Table (Comments from July 10 & 16/ 13 Public Open House- Gaetz Brook & Sheet Harbour)** *\*Please note that these are working documents and do not represent final policy recommendations until endorsed by CDAC.*

PROPOSED POLICY CHANGE / ISSUE RAISED	COMMUNITY FEEDBACK – (each # represents a separate comment received)	STAFF RESPONSE	CDAC DIRECTION
Process	We want Implementers to put our plans into concrete action.		
	It pays to advertise – re/participation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To announce meetings it would behoove you to put signage about meetings (ie. Sobey’s or Jeddore Variety) – or a sandwich board by Library or Harbour Fries – to be seen by passerby.</li> <li>• Do not assume seniors have internet access – they may read Eastern Shore Observer though.</li> <li>• If people have the ability to participate such as this forum/presentation. The feeling of inclusion in decisions would grow in numbers.</li> <li>• I was very disappointed that staff did not prepare an Eastern Shore briefing tailored to the needs and situation of the Eastern Shore (Oyster Pond Academy meeting). All the stats can easily be separated out using community counts.</li> </ul>		
	Communication – we would like to see more town halls as part of an expanded Communication Strategy.		
	We need to resuscitate the Visioning Process to give concerns about the plan review and focus on areas where topics were discussed. Dropping it is disenfranchising residents of MH.		
	Musquodoboit Harbour Community Association would like to see a secondary process of the visioning happen (please send me a name of who to talk to about this (Dee Dwyer, Chair).		
	I think there should have been more open houses with town halls. I argue that town halls are a public meeting where there are many dialogues where issues are shared. In future, can Musquodoboit Harbour be included I n the communication of meetings.		

Governance	Too many urban councilors on boards not representing the rural areas.		
	Who enforces prevention of noise pollution? (motorcycles are very noisy).		
Performance Measures	Plan Performance – Is there a system to measure rural growth in this plan? Can we measure the success of actions and proposals with tangible concrete measurements?	Rural communities population changes included in measures for the plan.	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o At the most general level, this plan fails to consider the limitations of global warming and ever-higher energy prices.</li> <li>o A sound plan would require as much new growth as possible in the urban core, NOT 50% in the suburbs.</li> <li>o There should also be much greater emphasis on increasing agricultural outputs within HRM.</li> </ul>		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Commercial Growth in rural areas should also be tracked for both new business and for business closures. Likewise business closures should be tracked in Urban and Suburban areas.</li> </ul>		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Measurements of how the plan is working need to be developed in consultation with rural areas!!!</li> <li>o How the plan unfolds in core Halifax or suburbs and its success cannot use the same measuring stick. It is not a one size fits all data collection project!</li> <li>o What are your indicators? They may differ!</li> </ul>		