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## Item No. 6

**Halifax Regional Council**  
**February 5, 2008**

**TO:** Mayor Kelly and Members of Halifax Regional Council

**SUBMITTED BY:**   
Cathie O'Toole, Director, Infrastructure and Asset Management

**DATE:** January 29, 2008

**SUBJECT:** **Petition for Street Upgrades, Porterfield Subdivision Paving - Porters Lake**

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### INFORMATION REPORT

#### ORIGIN

Halifax Regional Council meeting of December 11, 2007, Item 9.2 - Petition from Councillor Hendsbee requesting HRM pave the following streets in Porterfield Subdivision, Porters Lake, Davlin Drive, Candlewood Drive, Porterfield Drive, Hilltop Drive and Ritcey Court.

## **BACKGROUND**

At the December 11, 2007 Halifax Regional Council meeting, Councillor Hendsbee served a petition on behalf of residents of Porterfield Subdivision, Porters Lake. The residents are concerned with the condition of roads in the area, and are requesting HRM to pave them.

## **DISCUSSION**

These roads are owned and maintained by the Nova Scotia Department of Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal (NSTIR), and are classified as “J” class roads. The paving of these roads would typically fall under the responsibility of the Province through the Aid to Municipality Program. Under this program the work is equally cost shared between the Province and the Municipality. The Municipality recovers its portion through Bylaw S400 (Respecting Charges for Street Improvements) and the local improvement policy from property owners. In discussions with Councillor Hendsbee he plans to conduct a community meeting with Porters Lake residents and MLA Mr. Bill Dooks to explain the Program and the selection process for paving.

## **BUDGET IMPLICATIONS**

There are no budget implications at this time.

## **FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT POLICIES / BUSINESS PLAN**

This report complies with the Municipality’s Multi-Year Financial Strategy, the approved Operating, Capital and Reserve budgets, policies and procedures regarding withdrawals from the utilization of Capital and Operating reserves, as well as any relevant legislation.

**ALTERNATIVES**

There are no recommended alternatives to this course of action.

A copy of this report can be obtained online at <http://www.halifax.ca/commcoun/cc.html> then choose the appropriate Community Council and meeting date, or by contacting the Office of the Municipal Clerk at 490-4210, or Fax 490-4208.

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