



## COUNCILLOR TONY MANCINI

DISTRICT 6 - HARBOURVIEW - BURNSIDE -  
DARTMOUTH EAST



### Dear Dartmouth Residents

Greetings residents of District 6. It has been an honor and a pleasure to represent you on Council since February 2016. When I set out to take on this responsibility many months ago I

had much to learn. District 6 is truly a diverse community and it has been immensely rewarding discovering both the challenges and strengths of each neighborhood within the district.

There is a real sense of community and cooperation within the Dartmouth North area and this was evident when we all came together to build the community garden at the Dartmouth North Community Food Centre. I've enjoyed working with a number of residents in Woodlawn on a variety of projects from Pickle Ball courts & benches in Morash Park, discussing Crime Prevention with residents & Halifax Regional Police, to a new flag pole & benches in Commodore Park.

It is exciting to see the transformation with the Village on Main unfolding as well the initiatives with the Burnside Industrial Park. Closer to my own home our clean-up of the Port Wallace community brought everyone together in an effort to keep our neighborhood looking clean. District 6 is not without its challenges but I remain optimistic that when a community comes together with a shared purpose we can accomplish great things.

"Every successful individual knows that his or her achievement depends on a community of persons working together." – Pat Ryan

### Chers résidents de Dartmouth

Mes salutations aux résidents du district 6. J'ai eu le plaisir et l'honneur de vous représenter au Conseil depuis février 2016. Lorsque que je me suis mis à la tâche il y a plusieurs mois, j'avais beaucoup à apprendre. Le district 6 est vraiment une communauté diversifiée et cela a été extrêmement gratifiant de découvrir les défis et les forces de chaque quartier dans le district.

Il y a un vrai sens de communauté et de coopération dans la région de Dartmouth-nord et ceci était évident quand nous nous sommes réunis ensemble pour construire le jardin communautaire au Centre alimentaire communautaire de Dartmouth-nord. J'ai aimé travailler avec certains des résidents de Woodlawn dans une variété de projets allant du 'Pickle Ball' terrains et bancs dans le parc Morash, discutant la prévention du crime avec les résidents et la police régionale de Halifax, jusqu'à un nouveau pôle de drapeau et bancs dans le parc Commodore.

Il est passionnant de voir la transformation avec le Village sur Main se déployer ainsi que les initiatives avec le parc industriel Burnside. Plus près de ma propre demeure, notre nettoyage de la communauté de Port Wallace a réuni tout le monde dans un effort pour garder notre quartier propre. Le district 6 n'est pas sans défis mais je reste optimiste que lorsqu'une communauté se rassemble avec un objectif commun, nous pouvons accomplir de grandes choses.

«Chaque individu qui réussit sait que sa réalisation dépend d'une communauté de personnes qui travaillent ensemble.» - Pat Ryan

### 311 Municipal Services and Information Contact Centre:

More than a telephone number, 311 is your direct connection to important municipal services. The 311 Citizen Contact Centre includes a call centre, five customer service centres and a new resource for submitting online requests. You can call 311 toll-free from anywhere throughout HRM. Customer service agents can provide you with a wide variety of municipal information and services in over 150 languages using a telephone interpretation service. Hours of operation: 7 a.m. to 11 p.m. daily. Closed on Christmas and New Year's Day

### Boards and Committees

Councillor Mancini is a member of the following HRM Boards and Committees:

Community Design Advisory Committee  
Community Planning and Economic Development Standing Committee  
Environment and Sustainability Standing Committee  
Harbour East Community Council  
Shubenacadie Canal Commission  
Liaison to the HRM Acadian Francophone Community



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## Urban Forest Master Plan – Tree Planting in District 6

Halifax Regional Council approved HRM's Urban Forest Master Plan (UFMP) in 2012. Pursuant to that time, thousands of street trees have been planted with the goal of an additional 1,600 trees for 2016 including 100 trees for District 6 on sections of Highfield Park Drive, Strath Lane, Montebello, McCarthy Street and Raymoor Drive. Nineteen different tree species have been selected. HRM's urban forest consists of all trees within the urban core. The goal of the plan is to ensure a sustainable future for our urban forest. In the years to come these trees will beautify the neighbourhood and grow tall to form a protective canopy cover, benefiting our city as a whole. The UFMP tree planting project is being monitored by participants at Dalhousie University's School for Resource and Environmental Studies. Monitoring crews will be visiting neighbourhoods to evaluate the ongoing progress of the new street trees. Please be advised, that you can report any tree issues to our Citizen Contact Centre at 311. To keep up to date on the tree planting project and view volunteer opportunities you can visit HRM's website at [www.halifax.ca/property/ufmp/index.php](http://www.halifax.ca/property/ufmp/index.php). Crime

## Crime Information Community Meeting

On May 25, 2016 Constituents of District 6 and District 3 were invited to attend a Crime Information community meeting at the Woodlawn Church Hall with Councillor Mancini, Councillor Karsten and representatives from Halifax Regional Police, Cst. Dan Berrigan and Insp. Don Moser. The purpose of this meeting was to provide an open house atmosphere where residents could share their concerns with recent neighbourhood violence while Councillors and Halifax Regional Police could provide feedback, suggest solutions and offer preventative information to help alleviate current and future issues. As follow up to this meeting, we have compiled tips for you on crime prevention from our Halifax.ca website.

There are many ways in which each of us can help to deter crime in our neighbourhoods. It's important to be the "Eyes and Ears" in your neighbourhood because as a community member, you're in the best position to know if there is an issue impacting safety in your neighbourhood.

### To report a crime call:

911 - emergency or crime in progress

490-5020 (490-7252 TTY) - non-emergency requiring an officer to be dispatched

902-490-5016 - to file an incident report. You can also report minor crime online

To provide information on a crime anonymously, contact Crimestoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477) or online at [www.crimestoppers.ns.ca](http://www.crimestoppers.ns.ca).

1-877-357-2337 (toll free) - to report a problem property where illegal activity is occurring. The Province of Nova Scotia Safer Communities & Neighbourhoods Act improves community safety by targeting and, if necessary, shutting down residential and commercial buildings and land that are regularly used for

illegal activities such as producing, selling or using illegal drugs, prostitution, illegal gaming or the unlawful sale and consumption of alcohol.

### Starting a Neighbourhood Watch

Neighbourhood Watch is a program aimed at reducing crime in the community. It involves getting to know your neighbours and introducing them to the concept of Neighbourhood Watch. The definition of Neighbourhood Watch can be summarized as good neighbours working together and being alert to the potential of crime in their area before it starts. Citizens are taught how to make their homes less inviting as a target for thieves; how to participate in Operation Identification, making their personal property less desirable to burglars; and how to be alert to suspicious activity in their neighbourhoods. If you require more information, or to sign up, contact Cst. Nancy Miller at 902-490-5243 or [millern@halifax.ca](mailto:millern@halifax.ca).

## Open House Discussion – Development in Dartmouth Crossing

On March 30th, 2016 Councillor Mancini and MLA Andrew Younger hosted an Open House Town Hall Discussion about recent developments in Dartmouth Crossing, more specifically, the development of Ikea, the lakes and surrounding wooded area and what steps will be taken to ensure its environmental protection. The development plan was presented by representatives from Dartmouth Crossing, Ikea and HRM Staff. Residents were able to voice concerns and ask various questions regarding the development.

## Community Clean-Up's

During Spring and Summer HRM volunteers in District 6 have been busy cleaning up their communities along with Councillor Mancini. The clean-up initiatives are organized by various community groups, schools and individuals and provide an opportunity for all residents to take a proactive step in making their communities cleaner and safer for all. You can register a clean-up event with Clean Nova Scotia by calling 902-420-3474 or register online at: <http://clean.ns.ca/programs/waste/great-nova-scotia-pick-me-up/>



Councillor Mancini and members of The Village on Main – Main Street Dartmouth Business Improvement District cleaning up Main Street, Dartmouth.



Councillor Mancini and students from Michael Wallace Elementary School taking part in a community clean-up in the surrounding areas of the school grounds.

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Councillor Mancini, MLA Marian Mancini, MLA Andrew Younger and many other eager volunteers picking up litter in District 6.



A morning spent cleaning up the community with the Take Action Society in Dartmouth North.

## Dartmouth North Community Food Centre Gardening Party

The Dartmouth North Community Food Centre launched the first phase of a three-year plan to develop a 20,000 square foot farm this past June. During the development of this plan, they will unveil their initiative to provide resources and activities that support the parent-child relationship, bringing people together to grow, cook, share and advocate for good food and a healthy and fair food system, provide opportunities to develop supportive relationships with other families and community members and advocate for changes to the societal conditions that impede the well-being of families and communities.



A community coming together to build the Community Food Centre Garden.



## New Leaf, Between the Bridges – Working Together for Children and Families:

Between the Bridges is a project involving community groups, residents and various organizations who are looking at innovative ways to work together to address the challenges faced by some children and families living between the bridges in Dartmouth North. Between the Bridges is focused on building community assets and discovering what Dartmouth North communities can create together.

Recently, New Leaf has supported community engagement for Between the Bridges to collaborate and take action for families in Dartmouth North. New Leaf has supported a group of community leaders and committed residents to collect stories and ideas from residents who live and work in Dartmouth North. New Leaf has helped make sense of the core issues in the community that children and families face. All those involved will begin to build a vision for a thriving future and turn our hopes for the community into action, while alleviating the stresses of the community by working closely together.

## Slow Down Sign Success

Recently, we produced community slow down signs for District 6 residents. These signs have been a huge success; the community feedback has been nothing but positive. The signs are to be placed in lawns and are meant to draw attention to the issue of hazardous speeding in our communities in a positive way. The focus of these signs are to provide awareness to constituents and bring attention to the fact that we share the roads with pedestrians and motorists alike.



Councillor Mancini's Slow Down Signs – "Slow Down for Us"

## 12<sup>th</sup> Annual East Dartmouth Community BBQ

The East Dartmouth Community Centre, located in the heart of East Dartmouth, serving as a focal point for community programs and services inclusive to all ages, abilities and cultures is hosting their 12<sup>th</sup> Annual East Dartmouth Community BBQ. This year, the BBQ will take place on Saturday, August 13<sup>th</sup>, 2016, from 11:00am to 1:00pm. At the East Dartmouth Community Centre, 50 Caledonia Road, Dartmouth.



## Greater Burnside Business Association Annual BBQ

On June 16<sup>th</sup>, Councillor Mancini attended the GBBA annual end of year BBQ at the Ramada Hotel in Burnside. Councillor Mancini addressed those in attendance with a few words on behalf of District 6.





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### The Seventh-Day Adventist Church Dartmouth Soup Kitchen gets a New Stove

Over the past two years Lori Bowdridge has run a soup kitchen from the basement of the Seventh Day Adventist Church in Dartmouth, 35 Lakecrest Drive. The soup kitchen serves food on various days throughout the week to those in need. Over time the dated kitchen has deteriorated and is in need of major renovations and new appliances. Volunteers are also hoping to make the soup kitchen accessible by adding a ramp and a bathroom. They have been actively trying to raise funds for these renovations. Recently, we had the pleasure of donating the funds to purchase a new stove for the kitchen.



Volunteers at the Seventh-Day receive funding from Councillor Mancini to purchase a new stove for the soup kitchen.

### The Benefits of Crosswalk Flags

We're often asked if crosswalk flags are effective and the answer is yes. The bright orange flags are truly beneficial to our communities. Pedestrians feel safer when carrying a flag, motorists say flags on the roadside in a bucket grab their attention and alert them that they are in the presence of a crosswalk.



### Shannon Park Development Updates

In April 2016 developers held their most recent public engagement open house for the Shannon Park Development. Developers shared their preferred concept of design with all in attendance. The presentation came complete with drafts of various plans for buildings that will be placed on the land. Residents were given the opportunity to share concerns, provide feedback and ask questions. The developers are taking the requests and concerns of the surrounding communities into consideration while completing the build. Residents have communicated their top priorities being supporting the recreation of a vibrant urban centre, develop a new park, trail system and enhance the pedestrian streetscape, provide mobility options to promote bicycle and pedestrian movement throughout the site, provide a range of land uses and building types, celebrate the rich history of the community and provide access and connections to the waterfront. In the following months and years, developers plan to keep the community engaged by hosting various open houses, consistently updating residents on the process. To keep up to date on the build and gain information on the entire process, you can visit <http://www.shannonpark.ca/>

### Dartmouth Four-Pad Arena

On Tuesday, March 8th, 2016 Regional Council unanimously approved the 2016-17 operating and project budgets for the Halifax Regional Municipality. One of the projects approved is the four-pad arena complex in Dartmouth. The Four-Pad Arena will reside on Commodore Drive in Dartmouth. The project includes the integration of a new building that will meet the program requirements for the arenas along with the existing infrastructure. Construction will take place in 2016/2017.

