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## **Kentville's Chester Avenue Makeover Complete**

**KENTVILLE, NOVA SCOTIA – Mayor Sandra Snow will cut the ribbon on the Chester Avenue Upgrade Project on August 23<sup>rd</sup> at 11:00, marking the end of major infrastructure and resurfacing activities on this road.**

The Town of Kentville has completed the rebuilding of Chester Avenue from Main Street to the end of sanitary sewer services (or 1.4km from Main Street) based on a project budget of 2.9 million dollars. The Chester Avenue Upgrade was designed to both replace aging infrastructure, some being over 100 years old, and to improve traffic flow, future development, and active transportation. Some of the work included replacing sections of the watermains, sewer pipes, replacing and adding sidewalks, adding a left turning lane at the Main Street intersection, replacing retaining walls, and resurfacing the street.

“We know that this project was very disruptive over the past year for some residents and commuters, but we are very happy with the result, both below ground and above ground,” stated Fred Whynot, Director of Public Works with the Town of Kentville. “Thanks to the hard work of our contractor Howard Little Excavating, and our consultants at Design Point, the project was completed ahead of schedule and also below the anticipated budget,” Mr. Whynot added.

“We couldn't have completed the project without the help from the New Build Canada Small Communities fund, and including municipal, provincial, and federal governments,” said Chief Administrative Officer Mark Phillips. “We are very happy to have this project behind us and are ready to tackle the next project that will benefit Kentville families and businesses” he continued.

Mayor Sandra Snow invites the public to a ribbon cutting on August 23<sup>rd</sup> at 11am, at the Chester Avenue pocket park at Chester Avenue and Main Street. This free event will be a celebration with snacks and refreshments, with traffic on Chester Avenue being disrupted for a short time during a ribbon cutting.

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