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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Municipalities have the legitimacy and credibility to bring community partners together to identify multiple strategies for tackling inactivity. Planning for an active community requires a high degree of collaboration between government, non-government, and business sectors in a wide-variety of disciplines, at the local, provincial, and national level. This strategy examines the Town of Berwick and its long-templan to increase activity levels for the entire community.

In 2014 The Town of Berwick partnered with the Department of Communities, Culture Tourism and Heritage (CCTH) and the Western Kings Memorial Health Society (WKMHS) to create the Active Living Coordinator position.

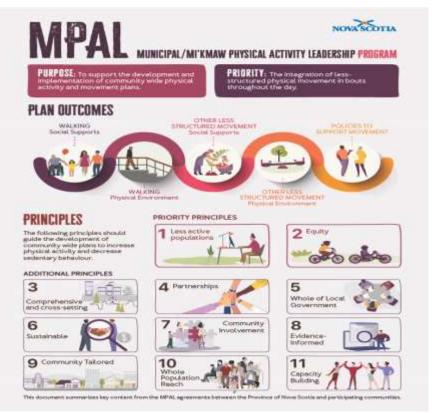
Several forms of local research were completed including focus groups, online and telephone surveys and reviews of both local and provincial plans and strategies. Statistics aligned with what the province indicated; we are facing an inactivity crisis. By aligning our strategic goals with the needs of our community, and by working together, we can work toward the common goal of increasing physical activity levels in the Town of Berwick.

Through a combination of research, strategic review and research into provincial and town plans, the Town of Berwick will support five goals to increase physical activity levels in their community. These goals focus on communication, supportive active transportation environments, providing targeted and underserved populations with accessible physical activity opportunities, encouraging everyday movement for all, building capacity and leadership in our community and increasing the built environment.

In order to achieve these goals actions will be shaped around the Socio-Ecological Model. This approach focuses on targeting four areas of influence to effectively impact a population. The following four levels; individual, social environment, physical environment and policy are broken down into actions that work towards achieving our six goals. The priority of the Active Living Coordinator will be to align their work with the goals and actions of this strategy and report yearly progress to the CCTH, the WKMHS and the Town of Berwick

BACKGROUND & OVERVIEW

What is the MPAL (Municipal Physical Activity Leadership) Program?



The Strategy

The role of the Active Living Coordinator is to complete a comprehensive strategy to raise awareness and increase participation in physical activity, active transportation and overall daily movement. The strategy outlines not only municipal and provincial needs and priorities. By gathering and reviewing participation trends, community assets, and consultation results, the Active Living Coordinator shapes information into goals and actions for the community. The strategy is not only a MPAL responsibility but instead a municipal and community responsibility.

The strategy also links other Town of Berwick municipal plans and strategies such as the Trails Strategy and the Accessibility Plan. With an annual review process, the Active Living Coordinator will be responsible for using this strategy as a guide to shape their work throughout the year. After the conclusion of the five-year action plan, the strategy will be reviewed, community consultations, provincial guidelines and trends will be accessed and the strategy will change to reflect the gathered information.

WHAT IS PHYSICAL ACTIVITY?

Physical activity is defined as, "any bodily movement produced by skeletal muscles that requires energy expenditure. Physical activity refers to all movement including during leisure time, for transport to get to and from places, or as part of a person's work. Both moderate- and vigorous-intensity physical activity improve health.

Leisure-time activity

Physical activity done outside of work or school time; such as active recreation, active play, deliberate exercise, fitness training, strength training, dance, individual and team sport for leisure or competition.





Occupational or School Based Activity

Physical exercise during the course of an individual's occupation or while at school. Examples are physical education classes, team sports, physical work such as lifting objects, walking about or climbing stairs.





Home Setting Activity

Physical activity carried out as part of housework or gardening activity such as vacuuming, moving furniture, raking leaves, climbing stairs, or shoveling snow.







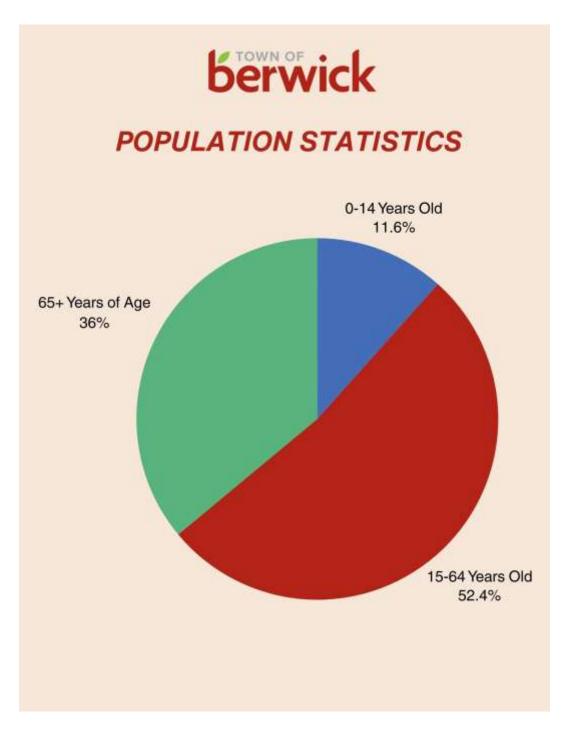
Active Transportation

Human powered physical activity as a means of travel from one place to another such as walking, cycling, in-line skating, or skateboarding.



Community Profile

Berwick is famously known for its pride in the apple industry. Known as "The Apple Capital of Nova Scotia", the ever important Apple industry served as a major economic force in Berwick's development in the early 1900's. The population is growing and with a 6.80 square kilometer radius our community provides the ideal environment for an active transportation (AT) friendly community. As stated in the 2012 Municipal Planning Strategy, Berwick prides itself as a vibrant and dynamic Town with a strong sense of community, a history of stable and prosperous growth and a belief in and a strong commitment to its future.



Provincial statistics concerning the number of children and youth who are meeting the standard recommended 60 minutes of daily physical activity for five days of the week are alarming. According to Stats Canada around 40% of children in Canada are currently meeting the physical activity target between ages 5-17.

Two methods of research where used to gather information in our community relative to children and youth which saw input from around 130 students;

- 1. A self-reported survey of students from our After School Program (grades P-5)
- 2. Group discussions/survey with grade 6-8 classes in Berwick District School to gather an idea of how active the teen demographic is, how they choose to be active, and how they would like to be more active in the future.

Key Findings: Youth Survey's

75% of Youth surveyed felt they were active at least 4 days a week through sport, recreation programs, gym class or unstructured movement and activity at home.

The top activities amongst the surveyed youth were: Organized sport (Basketball, baseball, soccer, hockey), Swimming, and Biking.



The top items on their activity wish list were: Drop in/pop up programs (Laser Tag, capture the flag in the park etc.), Improved infrastructure (full sized outdoor basketball court, outdoor rink in the winter, gaga ball pit), and Facility Access more specifically free skates at the Kings Mutual Century Centre.

Research for persons ages 18 and over in our community was more extensive. A citizen survey collected data from 253 Berwick residents.

Key findings and recommendations from the Citizen Survey were as followed:

Key Findings: Adult Survey's

•The main activity of interest to the adult population was walking and received the second highest percentage for what people wish they could participate in more. Distant second and third to walking were physically active household tasks and bicycling respectively.



Nearly 25% of respondents indicated they would like to participate in fitness programs more often, however they face barriers with fitness center/fitness class hours, financial barriers, time constraints etc.

 The highest rated barriers to being physically active were: lack of time, a lack of programs of interest, not having anyone to be active with, and not being aware of current opportunities.

 Opportunities to encourage greater participation in physical activity included drop-in recreational and sport activities as well as female specific opportunities.



Five goals were formed that best represented provincial physical activity goals and the data collected from the Town of Berwick citizens survey:

Redefining Movement

Create an effective form of communication to raise awareness of physical activity opportunities in the community.

Increase opportunities for populations that face constraints to be physically active with special attention to seniors, youth, females, persons living with a disability.

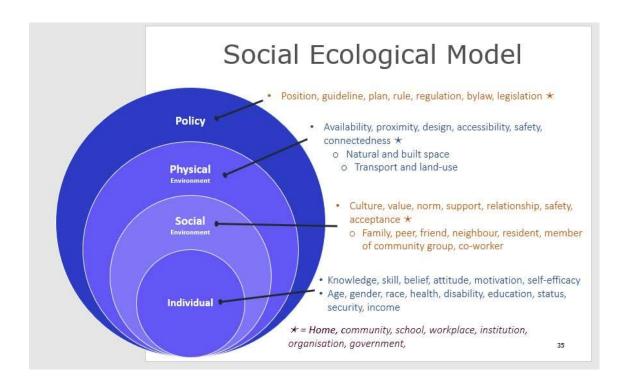
Build capacity/leadership to improve and increase physically active opportunities.

Provide accessible and safe routes and spaces for active transportation and recreational purposes.

How Do We Get There?

It is important to remember that it is difficult for one organization to increase physical activity and daily movement on its own; it will be a collaborative effort requiring partnerships from many sectors. The Action Plan is based around the socio-ecological model of Individual, social environment, physical environment and policy.

The following chart breaks down the Social Ecological Model:



Action Plan

The following is a breakdown of actions created to accomplishing our five goals. As indicated earlier, the physical inactivity crisis will not be solved by one group. It is going to take a community effort for a difference to be made.

INDIVIDUAL

The actions below are designed for the induvial and include ideas around educating the public, developing mentoring programs and communication strategies.

Actions	Leads & Partnerships	Start Date
Develop a communication plan for effective marketing of physical activity opportunities in Berwick	Berwick Recreation, Local Radio Stations (AVR, REWIND etc.) Social media (Berwick Facebook, Instagram, Twitter),	2023
Increase knowledge around benefits of daily movement and physical activity	Town of Berwick	2023
Increase the Equipment Loan Program	Berwick Recreation, Evangeline Club, After School Program	2023-2028
Develop Trails and Pathways document	Berwick Recreation, Public Works	2023
Create a list of yearly grant opportunities and share information to local groups/organizations	Berwick Recreation, Evangeline Club, Berwick and District School	Ongoing
Host and build leadership capacity for outdoor play.	Local Schools, Daycares, Berwick Recreation, Public Works, Western Kings Memorial Health Society	Ongoing
Increase volunteerism and community champions	Town of Berwick, Weekly Walks, Community Gardens, Valley Wildcats	2023

SUPPORTIVE SOCIAL ENVIRONMENTS

Actions in this section are aimed at changing the social community to promote community education, peer programs and social marketing campaigns.

Actions	Leads & Partnerships	Start Date
Collaborate with the Valley Jr. A Wildcats on community engagement and programming	Valley Jr. A Wildcats, Berwick Recreation, Minor Hockey, Town of Berwick After School Program	2023
Provide physical activity opportunities targeted at young families Ex: Open Gym	Berwick Recreation, Annapolis Valley Regional Library (Berwick Branch), Berwick and District School	
Partner with organizations to provide opportunities for underserved populations	Evangeline Club, Open Arms, Group Homes, Grand View Manor, Schools Plus, Family Resource Centre	Ongoing
Continue to support female physical activity opportunities to youth in the community.	Berwick and District School, Community Sport Development Coordinator, Camp Kindness	Ongoing
Promoting our Weekly Walk Groups	Town of Berwick, NS Walks	2023-2028
Host cultural events with physical activity opportunities included for community members to experience the diversity in our community	Town of Berwick, Meet your Growers, Berwick and District School	2023-2028
Ensure inclusion of physical activity components in Town Wide Events such as Winter Carnival, Easter, Halloween etc.	Berwick Recreation, Weekly Walks Group	2023-2028
Support Provincial initiatives and engage community in events such as Make your Move @ Work, NS Walks Day etc.	Town of Berwick, Berwick & District School, Local Businesses	2023-2028
Increase Leadership for the Community Gardens group	Berwick Community Gardens Group, Public Works, Berwick Recreation	Ongoing

BUILT & NATURAL ENVIRONMENTS

The following actions are aimed at increasing, and managing, the built environment in the Town of Berwick.

Actions	Leads & Partnerships	Start Date
Work on the development of Spicer Park as identified in the Berwick Multi-Generational Park Plan including (i.e. Trails, Natural Playground)	Public Works, Community Gardens Group, Berwick Recreation	Ongoing
Increase greenspace and opportunities for spontaneous outdoor free play by the creation of play spaces throughout the community allowing people to be active on their own time	Berwick Recreation, Public Works, Berwick & District School	Ongoing
Create an AT friendly community by providing supportive elements for safety including benches, bike repair stations etc.	Berwick Library Branch, Berwick Recreation, Public Works	Ongoing
Ensure sidewalks are safe during all seasons for walking with priority to main sidewalks.	Public Works	Ongoing
Collaborate with Cycle NS to develop recommended AT projects in Berwick.	Public Works, Town of Berwick, Bicycle Nova Scotia, Berwick & District School, Accessibility Committee	2024
Promotion of the Indoor Walking Track. (Develop Indoor Walking Group)	-	2023- 2028
Implementation of the Berwick Multi-Generational Park Plan	Town of Berwick, Department of Communities Culture Tourism & Heritage, Public Works	Ongoing
Foster a positive relationship with the Kings Mutual Century Centre and increase opportunities for accessible physical activity Ex: Make your Move signage	Berwick & District Community Association, Manager Kings Mutual Century Centre, CCTH Facility Access	Ongoing

POLICY & PLANNING

The following actions can be aimed at targeting the policy level of the socio – ecological model.

Actions	Leads & Partnerships	Start Date
Share Healthy Food Environment Policy with local facilities and encourage groups to follow	Health Board, WKMHS, Town of Berwick	Ongoing
Develop a funding model to support inclusive opportunities to physical activity in the community i.e. Paywhatyou can, payment plans, applications for waiving payment, bring a buddy option	Town of Berwick, Berwick Town Council	Ongoing
Develop an evaluation/feedback tool for recreation programs and recreation staff	Berwick Recreation	2023
Develop a communication plan for effective marketing of physical activity opportunities in Berwick	Berwick Recreation, Local Radio Stations (AVR, REWIND etc.) Social media (Berwick Facebook, Instagram, Twitter), Communications Staff	2023
Partnering with Bicycle Nova Scotia to create a 'CORE AT PLAN" to use as suggestions and a tool for future active transportation projects within Berwick	Town of Berwick Staff & Council, Bicycle Nova Scotia, Weekly Walks, Berwick Trails Committee, Berwick Accessibility Committee	2023-2024

Monitoring

The priority of the Active Living Coordinator will be to align their work with the goals of this strategy. Evaluation reports are required on a yearly basis for the Department of Communities, Culture, Tourism and Heritage. Upon completion of this report, the Active Living Coordinator will also be responsible for reporting to their supervisor, and the Town, to describe the progress of the strategy.

The strategy is meant to be a working document and new actions will be added as the Town of Berwick, and the physical activity field evolve

APPENDIX 1: Methods of Data Collection

Focus Groups & Surveys:

- Berwick After School Program (Grades P-6, 2022)
- Evangeline Club Open House (2023)
- Berwick & District School (Grade 5-8 Classrooms 2023)
- Citizen Survey (100 Phone surveys, 18+, 2021)
- Online Survey (2023, 253 Responses)
- Weekly Walks Tuesday/Friday and Saturday Groups (2023)

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Related Town Strategies & Documents:

- Municipal Planning Strategy (MPS)
- Integrated Community Sustainability Plan (ICSP)
- Trails Strategy (2020)
- Town of Berwick Public Open Space Strategy Initiative (2021)
- Town of Berwick Recreation Services Strategic Direction Report (2012)
- Town of Berwick Accessibility Plan (2022)
- Town of Berwick Active Living Strategy (2017 version)

Noted Provincial Strategies & Documents

- Shared Strategy for Advancing Recreation in Nova Scotia (2018)
- Let's Get Moving Nova Scotia
- Position statement on active outdoor play (2015)
- The ParticipACTION Report Card on Physical Activity for Children and Youth/Adults (2022)
- Canadian Society of Exercise Physiologists 24 Hour Movement Guidelines
- Municipal Physical Activity Leader Agreement

APPENDIX 2: Physical Activity Definitions

Definitions:

<u>Moderate-Intensity Physical Activity:</u> Requires a moderate amount of effort and noticeably accelerates the heart rate.

Examples: Active involvement in games and sports with children/walking domestic animals, Brisk Walking, Carrying/Moving moderate loads (<20kg), Dancing, Gardening, General building tasks (e.g. Roofing, thatching, painting), Housework and domestic chores, Traditional hunting and gathering

<u>Vigorous-Intensity Physical Activity:</u> Requires a large amount of effort and causes rapid breathing and a substantial increase of heart rate.

Examples: Aerobics, Carrying/moving heavy loads (>20kg), Competitive sports and games (e.g. Traditional games, Football, Volleyball, Hockey, Basketball), Fast cycling, Fast swimming, Heavy shoveling or digging ditches, Running, Walking/climbing briskly up a hill

<u>Incidental Physical Activity:</u> Yard work, laundry, vacuuming, gardening and other day to day household tasks.

APPENDIX 3: How Much Physical Activity?

The Canadian Society for Exercise and Physiology (CSEP) released updated evidence-based guidelines on recommended amounts of daily movement for all age groups. Although the following indicates levels of movement for health benefits, it is important to remember that any amount of movement or physical activity is beneficial and will increase our overall well-being.

Children (Ages 0-4): Infants should be active several times a day, more specifically through interactive floor-based play. Children 1-4 years of age should spend 180 minutes a day participating in various forms of physical activity, from moderate to vigorous.

Children and Youth (5-17): Children between 5-17 years of age should participate on average 60 minutes of moderate to vigorous physical activity a day. Should incorporate activities that strengthen bones and muscles at least 3 days a week.

Adults (18-64): Adults between the ages of 18-64 should participate in 150-300 minutes per week of moderate to vigorous physical activity. It is recommended that adults in this age range do muscle strengthening activities at least twice a week.

Older Adults (65): To achieve health benefits and improve functional abilities, adults aged 65 years and older should accumulate at least 150 minutes of moderate - to vigorous - intensity aerobic physical activity per week. Older adults should do a varied amount of physical activity that puts an emphasis on functional balance and strength.

Children and Adolescents Living with Disabilities: Children and adolescents living with a disability should aim for 60 minutes of activity a day. Should incorporate moderate-vigorous aerobic and muscle and strength training activities.

Adults Living with Disabilities: 150-300 minutes of moderate intensity physical activity throughout a week. They should incorporate muscle strengthening activities at least twice a week. If a person's disability forces them to be seated such as being in a wheelchair, they should find upper body led activities and or wheelchair specific sport/activities.

APPENDIX 4: Community Recreation and Sport Group Contacts

Community Recreation and Sports Groups Contacts: As of March 1st , 2024

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Appendix 5: Recreation Facilities/Spaces (Within Town of Berwick Limits)

The Town of Berwick has many resources for the community to be physically active. Using any of the available facilities or spaces will contribute significantly to the activity levels of residents; with hopes at improving and adding to our resources yearly.

Site	Facilities
Centennial Park	Gazebo, Riding Ring, Green Space, Outdoor Shuffleboard Courts (Summer)
Berwick Curling Club	3 Ice Surfaces
Berwick & District School	Playground, Green Gym Equipment and Gardens
Berwick Town Hall	Field & Outdoor (sand) Volleyball Court, Gymnasium, Garden Boxes, Community Play box (Summer)
Kings Mutual Century Centre	Arena, Berwick & District Lions Hall, Walking Track & Open Hallway Space, Fitness Centre
Peter Connell Memorial Park	Ball Park, Brown Street Connector Trail
Rainforth Park	Playground, Green Space, Ball Fields, Tennis Courts, Splashpad, Community Play box (Summer)
Apple Capital Heritage Trail	Cleared Multi-Use Path
Sidewalks	Throughout the town
Spicer Park	Playground (Including accessible equipment), Community Gardens, Community Play box (Summer)

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