

GWCA MISSION STATEMENT:
*To maintain the hamlet character of Glen Williams by
engaging and communicating with its residents and other stakeholders.*

GWCA 2023 Annual Plan

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Objectives

- Help keep the ‘hamlet’ character by creating opportunities for residents to get to know their neighbours and create a shared sense of community
- Focus on initiatives that will engage residents and other community partners
- Encourage membership in the GWCA and create opportunities for new membership
- Raise funds so the GWCA can meet its goals and legal requirements and fund planned initiatives

2023 COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT INITIATIVES

- Collaborate with other Glen community groups
- Canada Day Booth
- Canada Day Fund Raiser
- Movie night in the Glen Park
- Glen Pumpkin Walk
- 3 Best Decorated Home Photo Contests (Canada Day, Halloween, Christmas)
- Best Garden Contest
- Host Open Meetings:
 - Spring 2023 Open Meeting and Silent Auction
 - Fall 2023 Open Meeting
 - Engage residents with planning for Glen 200th Anniversary in 2025
 - AGM – February 2024
- Door to door new member outreach campaign

PARKS & TRAILS

Objectives

- Work with Town of Halton Hills staff to ensure park areas and trails are maintained and are a recognized and important part of any developments in Glen Williams
- Partner with Town of Halton Hills Parks and Recreation Department to determine vision of parks and trails in Glen Williams to meet resident's current and future needs
- Consult with Credit Valley Conversation about trail initiatives, access to the Credit River and other groups working on these issues
- Educate members about park, trail and river issues and promote activities through the newsletter and other formats

2023 PARKS & TRAILS INITIATIVES

- Adopt, Improve and Naturalize Shelagh Law Parkette
 - Repair all rock boulder borders on existing garden beds
 - Beneath welcome to Glen Williams sign
 - Around flagpole/historical Glen Williams Plaque
 - Purchase and plant native plants in all existing garden beds
 - Add one new native plant garden bed – create, purchase plants, plant
 - Purchase and install a park bench to replace on bare concrete pad
 - Purchase electric pump to pump water from river to water plants
 - Refurbish wooden Kiosk:
 - re-stain structure
 - Purchase new Glen information/trail map to install on front face of Kiosk
 - Install new Town of Halton Hills Tourism map on back face of Kiosk
 - Cull Parkette of invasive species to prepare for new native tree planting 2024
- Work with Town Works Dept to ensure the following Glen Park Improvements:
 - In Shelagh Law Parkette
 - Confirm if through Town 2023 approved projects, we can get 1-2 new native tree plantings, and support to clear out invasive species
 - In the Glen Park & Cenotaph Park
 - Investigate if any work can be done to remove invasive species
- Advocate for development of more trail systems in the Glen and specifically for trail system as proposed by Town Parks & Rec for 102 Confederation St. development
- Continue to engage with Credit Valley Trails to ensure integration of the Glen in the Credit Valley Trails Walk project
- Meet with Town's Parks & Rec Dept regularly throughout the year to discuss Glen Park improvement/maintenance and future needs
- Work on grants for funding from Trees for Halton and CVC for a tree planting initiative for 2024

TRAFFIC

Objectives

- Work with residents and Town staff to continue to address on-going traffic issues and their repercussions for residents from a holistic perspective, incorporating all areas of the Glen each with unique issues

2023 TRAFFIC INITIATIVES

- Meet with Town to review recommendations from GWCA shared evidence-based report of Glen residents traffic concerns, map to Town's approved 2023 Traffic Plan and identify gaps that require resolution
- Create plans with Town staff to identify satisfactory resolutions to gaps between GWCA Traffic Report recommendations and Town's 2023 Traffic Plan
- Ensure the all Glen designated projects in the Town's approved 2023 Traffic Plan are implemented as planned
- Continue to actively engage in Prince St. reconstruction project advocating for local resident needs i.e., footpath and ways to mitigate excessive speeds
- Continue to meet with Town and other groups as appropriate, to advocate for ongoing traffic concerns

DEVELOPMENT

Objectives

- Help residents understand the Glen Williams Secondary Plan and the issues facing residents and the landscape and character of Glen Williams by new development plans
- Liaise with residents and the Town of Halton Hills about proposed or on-going development projects
- Ensure Glen Williams Secondary Plan is adhered to for all new subdivision development plans in Glen Williams
- Engage in all aspects of the planning and development process for designated developments in the Glen

2023 DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVES

- 102 Confederation St. Development (Developer GWE)
 - Continue to actively participate in ongoing Ontario Land Tribunal (OLT) appeal hearing, advocating for alignment with Glen Williams Secondary Plan (GWSP) and continued well being and quality of life for current residents
 - Continue to work with Town and Developer on identified issues lists ensuring alignment with GWSP
- Megan/McMaster Development (Developer Eden Oak)
 - Continue to actively participate in OLT settlement agreement process and oversee to ensure conditions of approval are followed through in alignment with the Glen Williams Secondary Plan and continued well being and quality of life for current residents
- Glen Williams Secondary Plan OLT Appeal as filed by 3 developers in the Glen
 - Continue to actively participate in ongoing OLT appeal hearing, advocating for alignment with Glen Williams Secondary plan and continued well being and quality of life for current residents
- Bishops Court Phase 2 planned development activities (Developer xx) - Continue to monitor Town and Developer actions. Engage with stakeholder advocating for alignment with Glen Williams Secondary Plan and continued well being and quality of life for current residents
- Monitor The Chase Development (Developer Eden Oak) activities and respond to any issues arising from construction phase
- Monitor Committee of Adjust monthly agendas and respond as required when variance requests filed by developers for Glen developments

COMMUNICATIONS

Objectives

- Engage the community in GWCA initiatives
- Educate community members on the work of the GWCA
- Maintain an active website: A repository for all GWCA key documents; a hub that shares the history of the Glen; a channel for the community to contact the GWCA
- Publish GWCA Newsletter with regular monthly cadence: promote GWCA initiatives, share hamlet news, stories and events and engage community
- Use social media platforms to reach a broader audience: promote GWCA initiatives, share hamlet news and events and engage community

2023 COMMUNICATION INITIATIVES

- Continue to consistently communicate with residents through four channels to achieve overarching objectives:
 - monthly newsletters
 - Facebook page
 - Emails
 - GWCA website
- Explore possibility to expand social media presence to include Twitter and/ or Instagram
- Continue to maintain and update GWCA Website as a repository for all important news for residents; GWCA key documents and initiatives; a directory of all local businesses and resources, a hub for history of the Glen; a channel for the community to contact the GWCA
- Identify more volunteer support for Communications activities

BEAUTIFICATION

Objectives

- To enhance and showcase the unique hamlet qualities, historic elements and great natural beauty of Glen Williams
- Reach out to other partners and the community members to determine how best to showcase the Glen
- Work collaboratively with community groups, residents, the Town of Halton Hills and business owners on how best to implement appropriate and affordable projects

2023 BEAUTIFICATION INITIATIVES

- 2023 Earth Day Clean Community Clean Up event
- Work with Town Arts & Culture Dept in the planning stage for indigenous interpretive storyboard signage for Shelagh Law Parkette ensuring a comprehensive interpretive strategy for both indigenous and the other Glen historical components
- Work with Town Works Dept to ensure the following Glen Park Improvements:
 - In Shelagh Law Parkette:
 - Remove two old empty concrete pads
 - Remove Graffiti on bridge walls
 - Install Poop & Scoop and Pick up Litter signs
 - Investigate repairs required to failed retaining wall
 - Regrade parking spots and shoulder parking spots
 - Repaint benches (currently rusted and paint peeling)
 - In the Glen Park & Cenotaph Park
 - Investigate if more Poop & Scoop and Pick up Litter signs required