



# 2022-2026 Council Term Summary



Over the past four years, Council has focused on responsible leadership, long-term planning, and real investments that support a strong community today while preparing Wellington North for the future.

Using the 2024 Strategic Plan as a guiding document, Council has proceeded with projects and initiatives that support the three priorities outlined in the plan: shape and support sustainable growth; deliver quality, efficient community services aligned with the Township's mandate and capacity; and enhance information sharing and participation in decision making.

## Council's Commitment



Long-term planning over short-term fixes



Responsible financial stewardship



Decisions guided by community input



## Strategic Plan Priority Areas



Shape and support sustainable growth



Deliver quality, efficient community services



Enhance information sharing and participation in decision making



# Shape and support sustainable growth



## Planning for Growth - The Right Way

Over the past four years, Council has taken deliberate and thoughtful steps to guide growth in a responsible and sustainable manner - balancing new development with the need to protect existing infrastructure, maintain financial stability, and preserve the quality of life residents value. This approach has focused on planning ahead, making evidence-based decisions, and ensuring that growth occurs at a pace and scale the community can support, not just for today, but for future generations as well.

## Key Council Actions



**Growth Management Action Plan adopted and implemented**



**Asset Management Plan guiding long-term infrastructure investment**



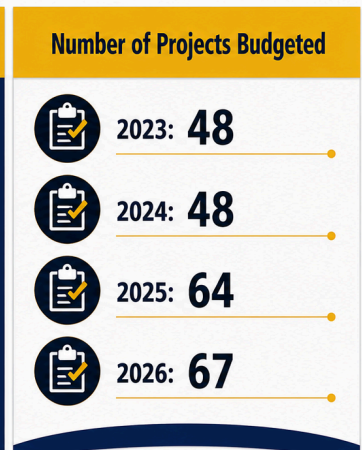
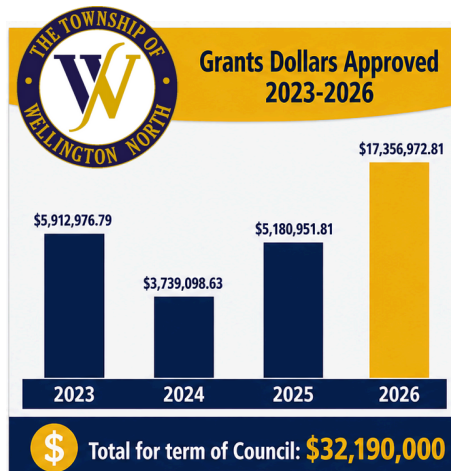
**Data-driven planning for roads, water, wastewater and facilities**



**Strategic use of grants to support growth-related infrastructure**

## On-the-Ground Results

- Major road, bridge, sidewalk, and traffic safety projects completed
- Water and wastewater system upgrades and redundancy planning
- Continued 100% compliance on drinking water inspections
- Infrastructure decisions aligned with long-term affordability



During the current council term, emphasis has been placed on improving and maintaining the Township's assets and infrastructure. These totals represents the upper limit of grant approvals, with the actual funding varying based on eligible spending and the final cost of each project. This funding has also allowed the Township to move forward with capital and operating projects, as well as provide programming opportunities at no cost to the local ratepayer.



# Deliver quality, efficient community services



## Services That Support Everyday Life

During the past four years, Council focused on delivering services residents rely on while modernizing operations and improving efficiency behind the scenes.

### Community Services Highlights



Arenas, sports complexes, and community centres upgraded



Parks, playgrounds, trails, splash pads, and cemeteries improved



Expanded recreation programming for all ages and abilities



Continued progress on the Mount Forest Outdoor Pool

### Operational and Organizational Improvements



Modernized IT systems and cybersecurity practices



Digitization of municipal records for faster, more efficient service



Improved internal service coordination and facility management

## In the Past Four Years, the Township Has:




INCREASED RECREATION FACILITY VISITS



INCREASED THE NUMBER OF SPOTS IN DAY CAMP PROGRAMS



INCREASED PROGRAM OFFERINGS



WORKED WITH LOCAL PARTNERS TO MAKE MULTIPLE PROGRAMS FREE FOR ALL TO PARTICIPATE IN, AT LITTLE COST TO THE TAXPAYER



MADE IMPROVEMENTS TO RECREATION FACILITIES ACROSS THE MUNICIPALITY



Built partnerships to improve and increase service levels and programming at minimal cost to taxpayers.

## Seniors Community Grant 2025-26



PROGRAMS OFFERED

41



PARTICIPANTS

738



AVERAGE NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS

16

### DESCRIPTION

Funded by the Province of Ontario, Wellington North offered the Tech and Trek program, providing bus trips, social events, educational opportunities and intergenerational activities for local seniors.



# Enhance information sharing and participation in decision making



## Listening, Engaging, and Working Together

Council strengthened communication and engagement by improving how information is shared and creating more meaningful opportunities for residents to participate, provide feedback, and stay informed on municipal initiatives, decisions, and priorities.

## Community and Economic Engagement

**COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM 2022-2026**

- 47 Applications Approved
- \$124,731 In Funds Approved by Council
- \$1,202,079 In Applicant Contributions
- \$1,326,810 Value of Improvements to Local Businesses



Council recognized 9 community members with Ontario Volunteer Service Awards in 2025.

## Key Council Initiatives



Expanded public consultation on major projects and plans



Improved digital communication and online engagement



New tools and policies to track and respond to community feedback



Hybrid Council meetings improving access and transparency



Council at Wellington Heights Secondary School on March 10, 2026.



**Grants and Donations**  
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FUND  
2022-2026

- 176 Applications Approved by Council
- \$277,644.61 in Fee Waivers & Donations Approved