# Township of Blandford-**Blenheim Strategic Plan (2025-2028)**

Vision: An engaged, forward-thinking community that values responsible growth and embraces its natural beauty, small town

charm and enhanced quality of life for all.

Mission To support our residents, businesses and future

Statement: generations by advocating for and delivering quality services that promote growth and well-being.

## **Engaged and Informed Community**

#### Goal:

To foster a culture of open communication, transparency, and community involvement, ensuring residents are well-informed, engaged, and empowered to contribute to municipal decision-making.

### **Objective:**

- Strengthen two-way communication through transparent and effective outreach
- Increase public participation in municipal decision-making and initiatives
- Develop and implement a comprehensive communication strategy leveraging technology, social media presence, and digital engagement tools
- · Promote community identity and pride through storytelling and branding efforts

## Responsible and **Strategic Growth**

#### Goal:

To guide well-planned, sustainable growth that balances economic development, environmental sustainability, and community needs, while preserving our rural and agricultural heritage.

### **Objective:**

- Support economic growth that aligns with community values and long-term development plans
- Leverage economic development opportunities along key corridors, such as the 401
- Strengthen advocacy efforts with upper-tier governments to support local growth initiatives, including the necessary infrastructure and services to support responsible expansion
- Protect farmland and rural character while fostering economic development
- · Encourage mixed-use and walkable community planning

## **Community Well-Being and Inclusivity**

#### Goal:

To create a safe, healthy, and inclusive community where all residents feel welcome, connected, and supported through diverse programs, services, and opportunities.

### **Objective:**

- Support and advocate for initiatives that promote active living, aging in place, and familyfriendly environments
- Encourage diverse and welcoming community programs that appeal to all demographics
- Develop walkable and connected neighbourhoods that enhance quality of life
- Promote and encourage volunteerism

## **Excellence in Public** Service

#### Goal:

To uphold transparency, accountability, innovation and responsible fiscal management in municipal operations by fostering a highperforming workforce, delivering exceptional public service, and providing high-quality, accessible, and efficient municipal services and facilities.

### **Objective:**

- Foster a culture of continuous improvement and innovation in service delivery
- Prioritize workforce development, succession planning, and staff resources
- Enhance, expand and improve access to municipal programs and services to meet evolving community needs
- Invest in facility maintenance and upgrades for long-term sustainability
- Foster partnerships and shared service models to maximize efficiency
- Leverage technology to improve service delivery and responsiveness
- Ensure long-term financial stability through responsible fiscal planning and diversified revenue streams
- Implement financial policies that promote efficiency, accountability, and cost-effective service delivery