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List of Acronyms and Abbreviations

Acronym	Full Description of Acronym
D.C.	Development charge
D.C.A.	<i>Development Charges Act</i> , 1997 as amended
G.F.A.	Gross floor area
LPAT.	Local Planning Appeal Tribunal
N.F.P.O.W.	No Fixed Place of Work
O.L.T.	Ontario Land Tribunal
O.M.B.	Ontario Municipal Board
O. Reg.	Ontario Regulation
P.O.A.	Provincial Offences Act
P.P.U.	Persons per unit
s.s.	Subsection
sq.m.	square metre
sq.ft.	square feet
km	kilometer



Executive Summary



Executive Summary

1. The report provided herein represents the Development Charges (D.C.) Background Study for the Township of East Zorra-Tavistock (Township) required by the *Development Charges Act, 1997* (D.C.A.). This report has been prepared in accordance with the methodology required under the D.C.A. The contents include the following:

- Chapter 1 – Introduction and overview of the legislative requirements of the D.C.A.;
- Chapter 2 – Current Township D.C. policy
- Chapter 3 – Summary of the residential and non-residential growth forecasts for the Township;
- Chapter 4 – Approach to calculating the D.C.;
- Chapter 5 – Review of historical service standards and identification of D.C. recoverable capital costs to service growth;
- Chapter 6 – Calculation of the D.C.s;
- Chapter 7 – D.C. policy recommendations and D.C. by-law rules;
- Chapter 8 – Asset management plan requirements of the D.C.A.; and
- Chapter 9 – By-law implementation.

2. D.C.s provide for the recovery of growth-related capital expenditures from new development. The D.C.A. is the statutory basis to recover these charges. The methodology is detailed in Chapter 4; a simplified summary is provided below:

- 1) Identify amount, type and location of growth;
- 2) Identify servicing needs to accommodate growth;
- 3) Identify capital costs to provide services to meet the needs;
- 4) Deduct:
 - Grants, subsidies and other contributions;
 - Benefit to existing development;
 - Amounts in excess of 15-year historical service calculation;
 - D.C. reserve funds;



- 5) Net costs are then allocated between residential and non-residential benefit; and
 - 6) Net costs divided by growth to provide the D.C. calculation.
3. Changes to the D.C.A. were introduced through four bills passed in the Ontario legislature since the Township's last D.C. by-law amendment: Bill 109, and Bill 23, Bill 97, and Bill 134. The following provides a brief summary of the recent changes.

Bill 109: *More Homes for Everyone Act, 2022*

On April 14, 2022, Bill 109 received Royal Assent. One of the changes of the Bill and Ontario Regulation (O. Reg.) 438/22 that took effect upon Royal Assent included amending the D.C.A. and O. Reg. 82/98 related to the requirements for the information which is to be included in the annual Treasurer's statement on D.C. reserve funds and the requirement for publication of the statement. Further information is provided in subsection 1.3.5.

Bill 23: *More Homes Built Faster Act, 2022*

On November 28, 2022, Bill 23 received Royal Assent. This Act amends a number of pieces of legislation including the *Planning Act* and the D.C.A. Subsequently, further amendments to these provisions were made through Bills 97 and 134. The following provides a summary of the changes to the D.C.A. (further details are provided in subsection 1.3.6 of this report):

- Additional residential unit exemption: Allowance of a third unit to be exempt from D.C.s in existing and new residential dwellings;
- Removal of housing as an eligible D.C. service;
- New statutory exemptions for affordable units, attainable units (to be in effect upon proclamation by the Lieutenant Governor);
- New statutory exemptions for inclusionary zoning units, and non-profit housing developments;
- Historical level of service extended to 15-year period instead of the prior 10-year period;
- Capital cost definition may be revised to prescribe services for which land or an interest in land will be restricted;



- Capital cost definition has been revised to remove studies;
 - Mandatory reduction for new D.C. by-laws passed after November 28, 2022, as follows:
 - Year 1 – 80% of the maximum charge;
 - Year 2 – 85% of the maximum charge;
 - Year 3 – 90% of the maximum charge;
 - Year 4 – 95% of the maximum charge; and
 - Year 5 to expiry – 100% of the maximum charge.
 - D.C. by-law expiry will be 10 years after the date the by-law comes into force (unless repealed earlier);
 - D.C. for rental housing developments to receive a discount as follows:
 - Three or more bedrooms – 25% reduction;
 - Two bedrooms – 20% reduction; and
 - All other bedroom quantities – 15% reduction.
 - Maximum interest rate for installments and determination of charge for eligible site plan and zoning by-law amendment applications to be set at the average prime rate plus 1%; and
 - Requirement to allocate funds received– municipalities will be required to spend or allocate at least 60% of their reserve fund at the beginning of the year for water, wastewater, and services related to a highway.
4. The Township is undertaking a D.C. public process and anticipates passing new by-laws for the eligible services. The mandatory public meeting has been set for May 1, 2024 with adoption of the by-laws anticipated for June 5, 2024, with an effective date of June 13, 2024 in advance of the expiry of the current by-law on July 3, 2024.
5. The growth forecast (Chapter 3) on which the D.C. is based, projects the following population, housing and non-residential floor area for the 10-year (2024 to 2034) period.



Table ES-1
Summary of Growth Forecast by Planning Period

Measure	10 Year 2024 to 2034
(Net) Population Increase	1,128
Residential Unit Increase	445
Non-Residential – Gross Floor Area Increase (sq.m.)	100,660

Source: Watson & Associates Economists Ltd. forecast 2024.

6. Chapter 5 herein provides, in detail and by service area, the gross capital costs for the increase in need to service new development and the respective deductions that have been made to arrive at the D.C. recoverable costs included in the calculation of the charge. The following services are calculated based on Township-wide 10-year forecast:

- Services related to a highway (including municipal works facilities, fleet and equipment);
- Fire protection services; and
- Parks and recreation services.

A summary of the total growth-related costs is provided below in Table ES-2.

Table ES-2
Summary of Expenditures Anticipated Over the Respective Forecast Periods

Summary of Expenditures Anticipated Over the Life of the By-laws	Expenditure Amount
Total Gross Capital Costs	\$29,333,000
Less: Benefit to Existing Development	\$15,844,000
Less: Post Planning Period Benefit	\$244,000
Less: Other Deductions	\$7,492,000
Less: Grants, Subsidies, and Other Contributions	\$15,000
Plus: Existing D.C. Reserve Fund Deficit	\$13,000
Net Costs to be Recovered from Development Charges	\$5,726,000

Based on the above table, the Township plans to spend \$29.3 million over the 10-year planning period of which \$5.7 million (19.9%) is recoverable from D.C.s.



Of the net \$5.7 million included in the calculation, \$5.0 million is recoverable from residential development and \$0.7 million from non-residential development. It is noted also that any exemptions or reductions in the charges would reduce this recovery further. This suggests that non-D.C. costs over the forecast period will total \$22.9 million. As part of the D.C. background study process we have undertaken an assessment of the D.C. revenue foregone that would occur based on current exemptions and reductions policies. This analysis suggests that the shortfall in D.C. revenue as a result of these policies would total \$1.4 million over the forecast period or 25% of D.C. recoverable costs ¹.

This report has undertaken a calculation of charges based on the anticipated development summarized in Table ES-1 and the future identified needs (presented in Table ES-2). Charges have been provided on a Township-wide basis for all services. The corresponding single detached unit charge is \$12,404. The non-residential charge is \$7.12 per sq.m. of building area. These rates would be reduced by 20% during the first year of the by-laws (i.e., \$9,923 per single detached unit and \$5.7 per sq.m. of building area) as per the Bill 23 requirements to reduce the charge during the first four years of the by-laws. The calculated schedule of charges is presented in Table ES-3 and the charges that would be imposed during the first year of the by-laws are presented in Table ES-4.

¹ D.C. revenue foregone is based on statutory exemptions/reductions contained in the D.C.A. (including affordable housing exemptions that are not yet in effect) and exemption policies in the current D.C. by-law.



Table ES-3
Calculated Schedule of Development Charges

Service	RESIDENTIAL				NON-RESIDENTIAL	
	Single and Semi-Detached Dwelling	Other Multiples	Apartments - 2 Bedrooms +	Apartments - Bachelor and 1 Bedroom	(per sq.m. of Gross Floor Area)	(per Wind Turbine)
Municipal Wide Services:						
Services Related to a Highway	5,340	3,688	2,954	1,875	3.50	5,340
Fire Protection Services	4,799	3,315	2,655	1,685	3.14	4,799
Parks and Recreation Services	2,265	1,564	1,253	795	0.48	
Total Municipal Wide Services	12,404	8,567	6,862	4,355	7.12	10,139

Table ES-4
Schedule of Development Charges (80% of maximum charge to be imposed in first year of by-laws)

Service	RESIDENTIAL				NON-RESIDENTIAL	
	Single and Semi-Detached Dwelling	Other Multiples	Apartments - 2 Bedrooms +	Apartments - Bachelor and 1 Bedroom	(per sq.m. of Gross Floor Area)	(per Wind Turbine)
Municipal Wide Services:						
Services Related to a Highway	4,272	2,950	2,363	1,500	2.80	4,272
Fire Protection Services	3,839	2,652	2,124	1,348	2.52	3,839
Parks and Recreation Services	1,812	1,251	1,002	636	0.38	0.00
Total Municipal Wide Services	9,923	6,854	5,490	3,484	5.70	8,111



7. Chapter 7 outlines the D.C. by-law policy recommendations and rules as summarized below:

- Timing of Collection:
 - D.C.s to be calculated and payable at the time of building permit issuance
 - D.C.s for developments proceeding through Site Plan or Zoning By-law Amendment applications will be determined based on the charges in effect on the day of the application (charges to be frozen for a maximum period of two years after planning application approval)
 - Rental housing and institutional developments would pay D.C.s in six equal annual payments, commencing from the date of occupancy
- Statutory D.C. Exemptions:
 - Upper/Lower Tier Governments and School Boards
 - Development of lands intended for use by a university that received operating funds from the Government
 - Existing industrial building expansions (may expand by 50% with no D.C.)
 - Additional residential units in existing and new residential buildings
 - May add up to two apartments for a single detached, semi-detached or row house (only one unit can be in an ancillary structure)
 - One additional unit or 1% of the units in an existing rental residential building with four or more residential units
 - Non-profit housing
 - Inclusionary zoning affordable units
- D.C. Discounts for rental housing development based on dwelling unit type:
 - >2 bedrooms - 25% discount
 - 2 bedrooms - 20% discount
 - <2 bedrooms - 15% discount
- Mandatory reduction of the charge:
 - Year 1 – 80% of the maximum charge
 - Year 2 – 85% of the maximum charge



- Year 3 – 90% of the maximum charge
 - Year 4 – 95% of the maximum charge, and
 - Year 5 to expiry – 100% of the maximum charge
 - Non-Statutory Deductions:
 - Non-residential farm buildings;
 - Non-residential buildings, other than industrial buildings;
 - Places of worship;
 - Public hospitals;
 - Temporary buildings and structures;
 - Long-term care homes;
 - Affordable housing; and
 - Temporary dwelling units
 - Redevelopment credits provided where building permit issuance occurs within five years for conversion or demolitions of existing structures
 - Charges to be indexed annually on the date the by-law comes in to force, in accordance with the D.C.A.
8. Council will consider the findings and recommendations provided in the report and, in conjunction with public input, approve such policies and rates it deems appropriate. These directions will refine the draft D.C. by-law which is appended in Appendix F. These decisions may include:
- adopting the charges and policies recommended herein;
 - considering additional exemptions to the by-laws; and
 - considering reductions in the charge by class of development (e.g., obtained by removing certain services on which the charge is based and/or by a general reduction in the charge).



Development Charge Background Study



Chapter 1

Introduction



1. Introduction

1.1 Purpose of this Document

This background study has been prepared pursuant to the requirements of the Development Charges Act 1997 (s.10), and accordingly, recommends new Development Charges (D.C.s) and policies for the Township of Blandford-Blenheim (Township).

The Township retained Watson & Associates Economists Ltd. (Watson) to undertake the D.C. study process. Watson worked with senior staff of the Township in preparing this D.C. analysis and the policy recommendations. The study process was also undertaken with the County of Oxford and other area-municipalities¹ to allow for consistency in the methodology undertaken and the governing by-law policies, to the extent possible.

This D.C. background study, containing the proposed D.C. by-laws, will be distributed to members of the public in order to provide interested parties with sufficient background information on the legislation, the study's recommendations, and an outline of the basis for these recommendations.

This report has been prepared, in the first instance, to meet the statutory requirements applicable to the Township's D.C. background study, as summarized in Chapter 4. It also addresses the forecast amount, type, and location of growth (Chapter 3), the requirement for "rules" governing the imposition of the charges (Chapter 7), and the proposed by-laws to be made available as part of the approval process (Appendix F).

In addition, the report is designed to set out sufficient background on the legislation and the policies underlying the proposed by-laws, to make the exercise understandable to interested parties. Finally, the D.C. background study addresses post-adoption implementation requirements (Chapter 9) which are critical to the successful application of the new policy.

¹ Coordinated review included the County of Oxford and all area municipalities with the exception of the City of Woodstock.



The chapters in the report are supported by appendices containing the data required to explain and substantiate the calculation of the charge. A full discussion of the statutory requirements for the preparation of a background study and calculation of a D.C. is provided herein.

1.2 Summary of the Process

A public meeting required under Section 12 of the D.C.A. has been scheduled for May 1, 2024 at least two weeks after the posting of the D.C. background study and draft D.C. by-laws on the Township's website. Its purpose is to present the background study and draft D.C. by-laws to the public and to solicit public input on the matter. The public meeting is also being held to answer any questions regarding the study's purpose, methodology and the proposed D.C. by-laws for the Township.

In accordance with the legislation, the background study and proposed D.C. by-laws will be available for public review at least 60 days prior to by-law passage.

The process to be followed in finalizing the report and recommendations includes:

- consideration of responses received prior to, at or immediately following the public meeting; and
- finalization of the report and Council consideration of the by-law subsequent to the public meeting.

Table 1-1 outlines the study process to date and the proposed schedule to be followed with respect to the D.C. by-law adoption process.

Table 1-1
Schedule of Key D.C. Process Dates

Process Steps	Dates
1. Project initiation meeting with Steering Committee	May 2023
2. Data collection and staff interviews	June 2023 to December 2023
3. Steering Committee discussion on D.C. By-Law implementation policies	August 29, 2023



Process Steps	Dates
4. Presentation of draft findings and D.C. policy discussion with municipal Staff	December 2023
5. Presentation of draft findings and by-law policies to D.C. Steering Committee	February 5, 2024
6. Presentation of draft findings and D.C. policies to Council	March 6, 2024
7. D.C. Background Study and draft D.C. by-law(s) available to public	April 5, 2024
8. Public Meeting of Council	May 1, 2024
9. D.C. By-law(s) passage (anticipated)	June 5, 2024
10. D.C. By-Law(s) effective date	June 13, 2024
11. Newspaper notice given of by-law(s) passage	By 20 days after passage
12. Last day for by-law(s) appeal	40 days after passage
13. Municipality makes available D.C. pamphlet	by 60 days after in force date

1.3 Changes to the Development Charges Act, 1997

Since 2021, when the Township last amended their D.C. by-law(s), a number of changes to the Development Charges Act, 1997 have been introduced through various legislation including the following:

- More Homes for Everyone Act, 2022 (Bill 109)
- More Homes Built Fast Act, 2022 (Bill 23); and
- Affordable Homes and Good Jobs Act, 2023 (Bill 134).



The following provides an overview of the changes to the D.C.A. that each of these pieces of legislation provided.

1.3.1 *More Homes for Everyone Act, 2022 (Bill 109)*

On April 14, 2022, Bill 109 received Royal Assent. One of the changes of the Bill and Ontario Regulation (O. Reg.) 438/22 that took effect upon Royal Assent included amending the D.C.A. and O. Reg. 82/98 related to the requirements for the information which is to be included in the annual Treasurer's statement on D.C. reserve funds and the requirement for publication of the statement. The following additional information must be provided for each D.C. service being collected for during the year:

- a) whether, as of the end of the year, the municipality expects to incur the amount of capital costs that were estimated, in the relevant development charge background study, to be incurred during the term of the applicable development charge by-law;
- b) if the answer to a) is no, the amount the municipality now expects to incur and a statement as to why this amount is expected; and
- c) if no money was spent from the reserve fund during the year, a statement as to why there was no spending during the year.

The changes to the D.C.A. has also been amended to now require that the annual Treasurer's statement be made available to the public on the website of the municipality or, if there is no such website, in the municipal office.

1.3.2 *More Homes Built Fast Act, 2022 (Bill 23)*

On November 28, 2022, Bill 23 received Royal Assent. This Act amends a number of pieces of legislation including the *Planning Act* and the D.C.A. Subsequently the proposed exemptions for affordable units was further amended through Bill 134. The following provides a summary of the changes to the D.C.A.:

1.3.2.1 *Additional Residential Unit Exemption*

The rules for these exemptions are now provided in the D.C.A., rather than the regulations and are summarized as follows:



- Exemption for residential units in existing rental residential buildings – For rental residential buildings with four or more residential units, the greater of one unit or 1% of the existing residential units will be exempt from D.C.
- Exemption for additional residential units in existing and new residential buildings – The following developments will be exempt from a D.C.:
 - A second unit in a detached, semi-detached, or rowhouse if all buildings and ancillary structures cumulatively contain no more than one residential unit;
 - A third unit in a detached, semi-detached, or rowhouse if no ancillary buildings or structures contain any residential units; and
 - One residential unit in a building or structure ancillary to a detached, semi-detached, or rowhouse on a parcel of land, if the detached, semi-detached, or rowhouse contains no more than two residential units and no other buildings or ancillary structures contain any residential units.
 - Bill 97 (*The Helping Homebuyers, Protecting Tenants Act*), extended the mandatory exemption from payment of D.C.s for addition residential units new residential buildings or in existing houses to all lands versus just urban lands.

1.3.2.2 *Removal of Housing as an Eligible D.C. Service*

Housing services is removed as an eligible service. Municipalities with by-laws that include a charge for housing services can no longer collect for this service.

1.3.2.3 *New Statutory Exemptions for Affordable Units, Attainable Units, and Inclusionary Zoning Units*

Affordable units, attainable units, inclusionary zoning units and non-profit housing developments will be exempt from the payment of D.C.s, as follows:

- Affordable Rental Units:
 - The rent is no greater than the lesser of,
 - the income-based affordable rent for the residential unit set out in the Affordable Residential Units bulletin, as identified by the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing in accordance with subsection (5), and
 - the average market rent identified for the residential unit set out in the Affordable Residential Units bulletin.



- Affordable Owned Units:
 - The price of the residential unit is no greater than the lesser of,
 - the income-based affordable purchase price for the residential unit set out in the Affordable Residential Units bulletin, as identified by the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing in accordance with subsection (6), and
 - 90 per cent of the average purchase price identified for the residential unit set out in the Affordable Residential Units bulletin.
- Attainable Units: Excludes affordable units and rental units; will be defined as prescribed development or class of development and sold to a person who is at “arm’s length” from the seller.
 - Note: for affordable and attainable units, the municipality shall enter into an agreement that ensures the unit remains affordable or attainable for 25 years. Also exemptions for affordable and attainable units will come into effect on a day to be named by proclamation of the Lieutenant Governor.
- Inclusionary Zoning Units: Affordable housing units required under inclusionary zoning by-laws are exempt from a D.C.

1.3.2.4 New Statutory Exemption for Non-Profit Housing

Non-profit housing development has been removed from the instalment payment section of the Act (section 26.1), as these units are now exempt from the payment of D.C.s.

1.3.2.5 Rental Housing Discount

The D.C. payable for rental housing development will be reduced based on the number of bedrooms in each unit as follows:

- Three or more bedrooms – 25% reduction;
- Two bedrooms – 20% reduction; and
- All other bedroom quantities – 15% reduction.

1.3.2.6 Historical Level of Service extended to 15-year period instead of the historical 10-year period

Prior to Royal Assent of Bill 23, the increase in need for service was limited by the average historical level of service calculated over the 10-year period preceding the



preparation of the D.C. background study. This average historical level of service is now extended to the historical 15-year period.

1.3.2.7 Revised Definition of Capital Costs

The definition of capital costs has been revised to remove studies. Further, the regulations to the Act will prescribe services for which land or an interest in land will be restricted. As at the time of writing, no services have been prescribed for this purpose.

1.3.2.8 Mandatory Phase-in of a D.C.

For all D.C. by-laws passed after January 1, 2022, the charge must be phased-in annually over the first five years the by-law is in force, as follows:

- Year 1 – 80% of the maximum charge;
- Year 2 – 85% of the maximum charge;
- Year 3 – 90% of the maximum charge;
- Year 4 – 95% of the maximum charge; and
- Year 5 to expiry – 100% of the maximum charge.

1.3.2.9 D.C. By-law Expiry

A D.C. by-law now expires ten years after the day it comes into force (unless the by-law provides for an earlier expiry date). This extends the by-law's maximum life from what was previously five years.

1.3.2.10 Maximum Interest Rate for Instalments and Determination of Charge for Eligible Site Plan and Zoning By-law Amendment Applications

The Act allows interest to be charged on D.C.s calculated at the time of Site Plan or Zoning By-law Amendment applications (S.26.2 of the Act) and for mandatory installment payments (S. 26.1 of the Act). No maximum interest rate was previously prescribed, which allowed municipalities to choose the interest rate to impose. As per Bill 23, the maximum interest rate is set at the average prime rate plus 1%. This maximum interest rate provision would apply to all instalment payments and eligible site plan and zoning by-law amendment applications occurring after November 28, 2022.



1.3.2.11 Requirement to Allocate Funds Received

Annually, beginning in 2023, municipalities will be required to spend or allocate at least 60% of the monies in a reserve fund at the beginning of the year for water services, wastewater services, and services related to a highway. Other services may be prescribed by the regulation.



Chapter 2

Current Township D.C. Policy



2. Current Township D.C. Policy

2.1 By-law Enactment

The Township adopted By-law number 2148-2019 on August 7, 2019, which provides for Township-wide a D.C.s to be imposed. By-law 2148-2019 was amended by By-law 2237-2021 on March 17, 2021. The Township's D.C. by-law was further amended by By-law 2393-2023 on November 1, 2023. By-law 2148-2019 will expire on August 7, 2024. The following sections review the current D.C. policies within the by-law.

2.2 Services Covered

The following Township-wide services are included under By-law 2148-2019, as amended:

- Roads and Related;
- Fire Services; and
- Parks & Recreation

2.3 Timing of D.C. Calculation and Payment

Calculation and payment of D.C.s are due and payable at the time of building permit issuance for the development. The by-law also allows the Township to enter into alternative payment agreements with owners.

2.4 Indexing

The by-law provides for annual indexing of the charges on April 1st of each year. Table 2-1 provides the charges currently in effect as of April 1, 2024, for residential and non-residential development types, as well as the breakdown of the charges by service.



Table 2-1
Township of Blandford-Blenheim
2024 Development Charges

Service/Class	RESIDENTIAL				NON-RESIDENTIAL	
	Single and Semi-Detached Dwelling	Apartments - 2 Bedrooms +	Apartments - Bachelor and 1 Bedroom	Other Multiples	(per m2 of Gross Floor Area)	(per Wind Turbine)
Municipal Wide Services/Class of Service:						
Roads and Related Services	5,468	2,915	1,972	3,436	22.16	5,468
Fire Services	2,825	1,506	1,019	1,775	11.45	2,825
Parks & Recreation Services	2,996	1,598	1,081	1,883	8.49	-
Growth-Related Studies	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	11,289	6,019	4,071	7,093	42.10	8,294

2.5 Redevelopment Credits

D.C. credits for residential and non-residential redevelopments, are provided for demolitions/conversions of development that pre-exists five years prior to the date of payment of the D.C.

2.6 Area to Which the By-law Applies and Exemptions

By-law 2148-2019 (as amended) provides for the following statutory exemptions:

- Upper/Lower Tier Governments and School Boards
- Development of lands intended for use by a university that received operating funds from the Government
- Existing industrial building expansions (may expand by 50% with no D.C.)
- Additional residential units in existing and new residential buildings
 - May add up to two apartments for a single detached, semi-detached or row house (only one unit can be in an ancillary structure)
 - One additional unit or 1% of the units in an existing rental residential building with four or more residential units
- Non-profit housing
- Inclusionary zoning affordable units
- D.C. Discounts for rental housing development based on dwelling unit type:
 - >2 bedrooms - 25% discount
 - 2 bedrooms - 20% discount
 - <2 bedrooms - 15% discount



The D.C. by-law also provides non-statutory exemptions from payment of D.C.s with respect to:

- Non-residential buildings, other than industrial buildings;
- Non-residential farm buildings;
- Places of worship;
- Public hospitals;
- Temporary buildings and structures;
- Long-term care homes;
- Affordable housing; and
- Temporary dwelling units.



Chapter 3

Anticipated Development in the Township of Blandford- Blenheim



3. Anticipated Development in the Township of Blandford-Blenheim

3.1 Requirement of the Act

The growth forecast contained in this chapter (with supplemental tables in Appendix A) provides for the anticipated development for which the Township will be required to provide services over a 10-year (2024 to 2034) time horizon.

Chapter 4 provides the methodology for calculating a D.C. as per the D.C.A. Figure 4-1 presents this methodology graphically. It is noted in the first box of the schematic that in order to determine the D.C. that may be imposed, it is a requirement of subsection 5 (1) of the D.C.A. that “the anticipated amount, type and location of development, for which development charges can be imposed, must be estimated.”

3.2 Basis of Population, Household and Non-Residential Gross Floor Area Forecast

The D.C. growth forecast has been derived by Watson. In preparing the growth forecast, the following information sources were consulted to assess the residential and non-residential development potential for the Township over the forecast period, including:

- Township of Blandford-Blenheim 2019 Development Charges Background Study, May 29, 2019, Watson & Associates Economists Ltd.
- Oxford County Phase One Comprehensive Review; March 2020, Hemson Consulting Ltd.
- 2011, 2016 and 2021 population, household and employment Census data;
- Historical residential and non-residential building permit data over the 2013 to June 2023 year-to-date period;
- Residential and non-residential supply opportunities as identified by Township of Blandford-Blenheim staff; and
- Discussions with Township staff regarding anticipated residential and non-residential development in the Township of Blandford-Blenheim.

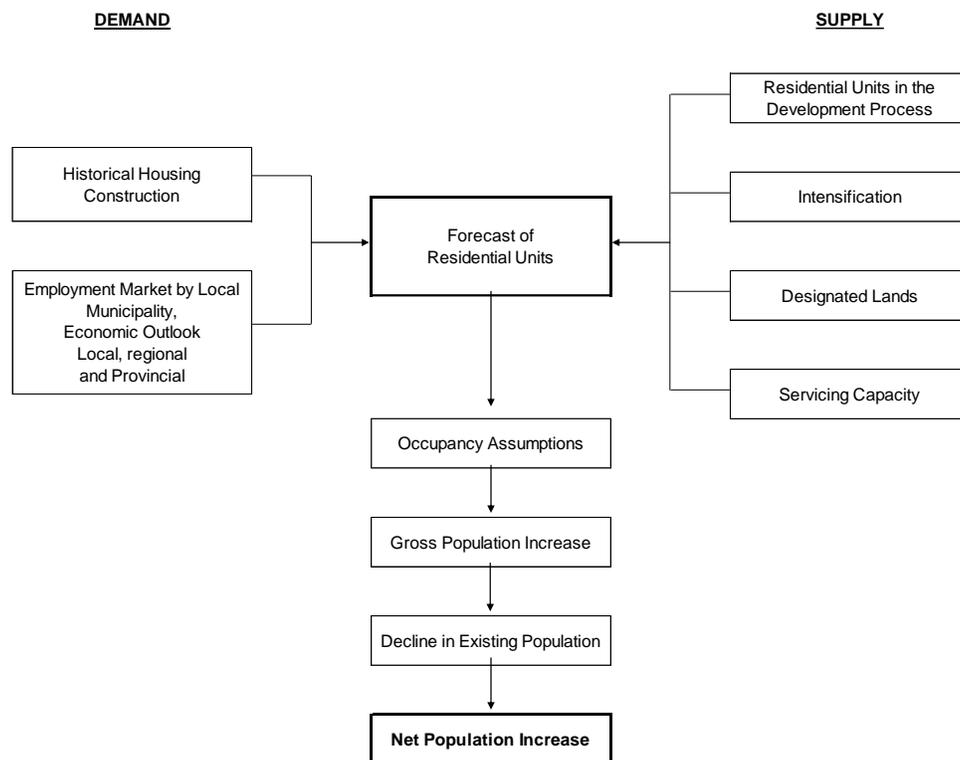


3.3 Summary of Growth Forecast

A detailed analysis of the residential and non-residential growth forecasts is provided in Appendix A and the methodology employed is illustrated in Figure 3-1. The discussion provided herein summarizes the anticipated growth for the Township and describes the basis for the forecast. The results of the residential growth forecast analysis are summarized in Table 3-1 below, and Schedule 1 in Appendix A.

As identified in Table 3-1 and Appendix A – Schedule 1, population in the Township of Blandford-Blenheim (excluding census undercount) is anticipated to reach approximately 8,880 by 2034, resulting in an increase of approximately 1,130 persons, respectively. ^[1]

Figure 3-1
Population and Household Forecast Model



^[1] The population figures used in the calculation of the 2024 D.C. exclude the net Census undercount, which is estimated at approximately 2.9%. Population figures presented herein have been rounded.



**Table 3-1
Township of Blandford-Blenheim
Residential Growth Forecast Summary**

	Year	Population (Including Census Undercount) ^[1]	Excluding Census Undercount			Housing Units						Person Per Unit (P.P.U.): Total Population/ Total Households
			Population	Institutional Population	Population Excluding Institutional Population	Singles & Semi- Detached	Multiple Dwellings ^[2]	Apartments ^[3]	Other	Total Households	Equivalent Institutional Households	
Historical	<i>Mid 2011</i>	7,570	7,359	54	7,305	2,472	52	76	16	2,616	49	2.813
	<i>Mid 2016</i>	7,610	7,399	34	7,365	2,515	35	110	60	2,720	31	2.720
	<i>Mid 2021</i>	7,780	7,565	15	7,550	2,575	30	120	50	2,775	14	2.726
Forecast	<i>Mid 2024</i>	7,980	7,754	16	7,738	2,609	53	150	50	2,862	15	2.709
	<i>Mid 2034</i>	9,140	8,882	33	8,849	2,942	121	194	50	3,307	30	2.686
Incremental	Mid 2011 - Mid 2016	40	40	-20	60	43	-17	34	44	104	-18	
	Mid 2016 - Mid 2021	170	166	-19	185	60	-5	10	-10	55	-17	
	Mid 2021 - Mid 2024	200	189	1	188	34	23	30	0	87	1	
	Mid 2024 - Mid 2034	1,160	1,128	17	1,111	333	68	44	0	445	15	

[1] Population includes the Census undercount estimated at approximately 2.9% and has been rounded.

[2] Includes townhouses and apartments in duplexes.

[3] Includes bachelor, 1-bedroom, and 2-bedroom+ apartment units.

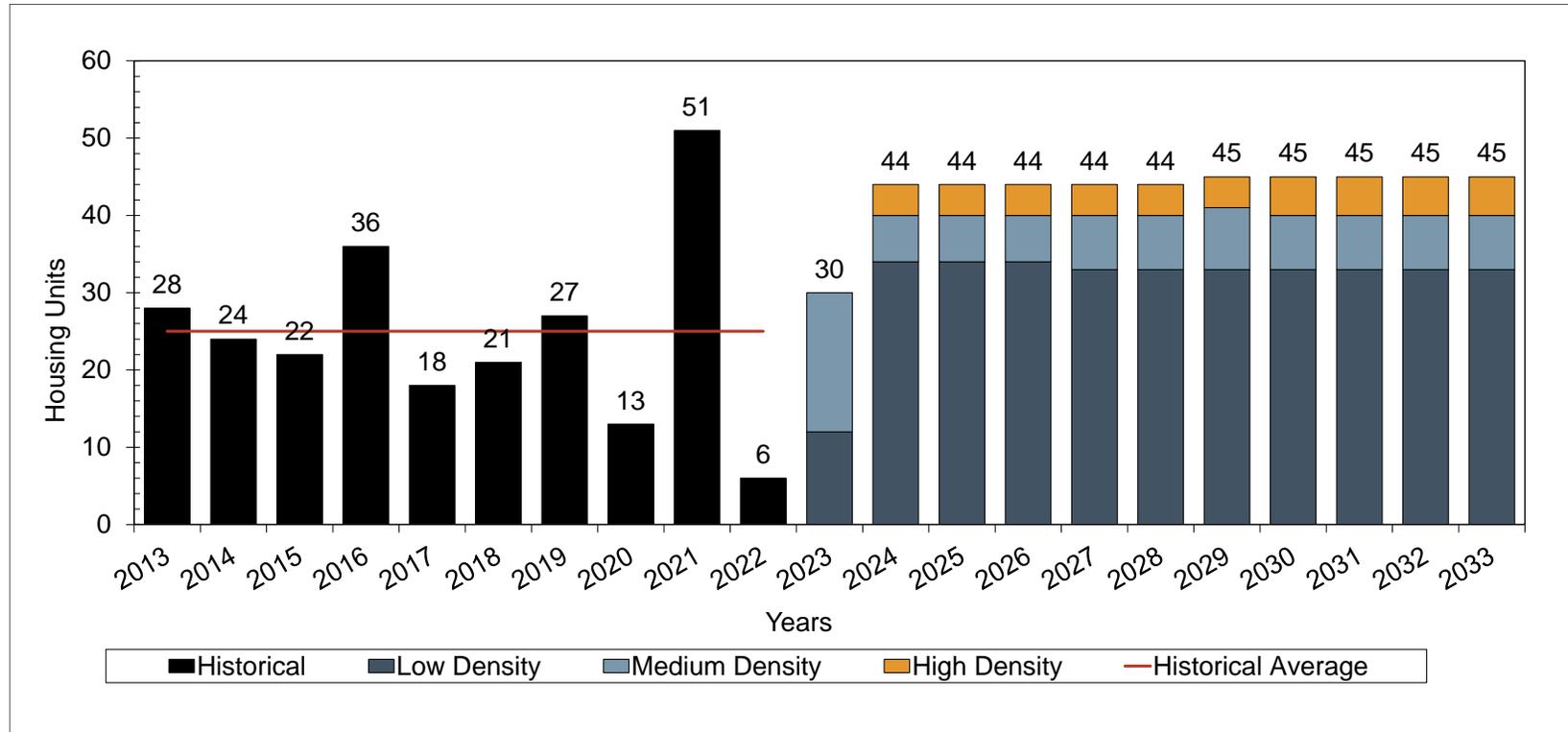
Notes:

Numbers may not add due to rounding.

Source: Watson & Associates Economists Ltd.



Figure 3-2
Township of Blandford-Blenheim
Annual Housing Forecast ^[1]



^[1] Growth forecast represents calendar year.

Source: Historical housing activity derived from Township of Blandford-Blenheim building permit data, 2013 to 2022, and 2023 estimated based on June-2023 year-to-date building permit data by Watson & Associates Economists Ltd.



Provided below is a summary of the key assumptions and findings regarding the Township of Blandford-Blenheim D.C. growth forecast:

1. Unit Mix (Appendix A – Schedules 1 and 5)

- The housing unit mix for the Township was derived from a detailed review of historical development activity (as per Schedule 5), as well as active residential development applications and discussions with Township staff regarding anticipated development trends for the Township of Blandford-Blenheim.
- Based on the above indicators, the 2024 to 2034 household growth forecast for the Township is comprised of a unit mix of 75% low density units (single detached and semi-detached), 15% medium density (multiples except apartments) and 10% high density (bachelor, 1-bedroom and 2-bedroom apartments).

2. Geographic Location of Residential Development (Appendix A – Schedule 2)

- Schedule 2 summarizes the anticipated amount, type, and location of development by area for the Township of Blandford-Blenheim
- In accordance with forecast demand and available land supply, the amount and percentage of forecast housing growth between 2024 and 2034 by development location is summarized below.



Table 3-2
Township of Blandford-Blenheim
Geographic Location of Residential Development

Development Location	Amount of Housing Growth, 2024 to 2034	Percentage of Housing Growth, 2024 to 2034
Urban Serviced Area (Village of Plattsville)	190	43%
Urban Serviced Area (Village of Drumbo)	230	50%
Unserviced Urban Settlement Area and Remaining Rural Areas	30	7%
Township of Blandford-Blenheim	450	100%

Note: Figures may not sum precisely due to rounding.

3. Planning Period

- Short- and longer-term time horizons are required for the D.C. process. The D.C.A. limits the planning horizon for transit services to a 10-year planning horizon. All other services can utilize a longer planning period if the municipality has identified the growth-related capital infrastructure needs associated with the longer-term growth planning period.

4. Population in New Units (Appendix A – Schedules 3 and 4

- The number of housing units to be constructed by 2034 in the Township of Blandford-Blenheim over the forecast period is presented in Table 3-1. Over the 2024 to 2034 forecast period, the Township is anticipated to average approximately 45 new housing units per year.



- Institutional population ^[1] is anticipated to increase by approximately 20 people between 2024 to 2034.
- Population in new units is derived from Schedules 3 and 4, which incorporate historical development activity, anticipated units (see unit mix discussion) and average persons per unit (P.P.U.) by dwelling type for new units.
- Schedule 6a summarizes the average P.P.U. assumed for new housing units by age and type of dwelling based on Statistics Canada 2021 custom Census data for the Township of Blandford-Blenheim. Due to data limitations medium and high density P.P.U. data was derived from the County of Oxford which includes the Township of Blandford-Blenheim, and is outlined in Schedule 6b. The total calculated P.P.U. for all density types has been adjusted accordingly to account for the P.P.U. trends which has been recently experienced in both new and older units. Forecasted 15-year average P.P.U.s by dwelling type are as follows:
 - Low density: 3.155
 - Medium density: 2.179
 - High density: 1.439

5. Existing Units and Population Change (Appendix A – Schedules 3 and 4)

- Existing households for mid-2024 are based on the 2021 Census households, plus estimated residential units constructed between mid-2021 to the beginning of the growth period, assuming a minimum six-month lag between construction and occupancy (see Schedule 3).
- The change in average occupancy levels for existing housing units is calculated in Schedules 3 through 4.^[2] The forecast population change in existing households over the 2024 to 2034 forecast period is forecast to decline by approximately 150.

^[1] Institutional population largely includes special care facilities such as nursing home or residences for senior citizens. A P.P.U. of 1.100 depicts 1-bedroom and 2-or-more-bedroom units in collective households.

^[2] Change in occupancy levels for existing households occurs due to aging of the population and family life cycle changes, lower fertility rates and changing economic conditions.



6. Employment (Appendix A – Schedules 8a, 8b and 8c)

- The employment projections provided herein are largely based on the activity rate method, which is defined as the number of jobs in the Township divided by the number of residents. Key employment sectors include primary, industrial, commercial/population-related, institutional, and work at home, which are considered individually below.
- 2016 employment data ^{[1],[2]} (place of work) for the Township of Blandford-Blenheim is outlined in Schedule 8a. The 2016 employment base is comprised of the following sectors:
 - 135 primary (8%);
 - 550 work at home employment (34%);
 - 445 industrial (27%);
 - 405 commercial/population-related (25%); and
 - 105 institutional (6%).
- The 2016 employment by usual place of work, including work at home, is 1,640. An additional 205 employees have been identified for the Township of Blandford-Blenheim in 2016 that have no fixed place of work (N.F.P.O.W.).^[3]
- Total employment, including work at home and N.F.P.O.W. for the Township of Blandford-Blenheim is anticipated to reach approximately 2,180 by mid-2034. This represents an employment increase of approximately 310 for the 10-year forecast period.
- Schedule 8b, Appendix A, summarizes the employment forecast, excluding work at home employment and N.F.P.O.W. employment, which is the basis for the D.C. employment forecast. The impact on municipal services from work at home employees has already been included in the

^[1] 2016 employment is based on Statistics Canada 2016 Place of Work Employment dataset by Watson & Associates Economists Ltd.

^[2] Statistics Canada 2021 Census place of work employment data has been reviewed. The 2021 Census employment results have not been utilized due to a significant increase in work at home employment captured due to Census enumeration occurring during the provincial COVID-19 lockdown from April 1, 2021 to June 14, 2021.

^[3] No fixed place of work is defined by Statistics Canada as "persons who do not go from home to the same workplace location at the beginning of each shift. Such persons include building and landscape contractors, travelling salespersons, independent truck drivers, etc."



population forecast. The need for municipal services related to N.F.P.O.W. employees has largely been included in the employment forecast by usual place of work (i.e., employment and gross floor area generated from N.F.P.O.W. construction employment). Furthermore, since these employees have no fixed work address, they cannot be captured in the non-residential G.F.A. calculation. Accordingly, work at home and N.F.P.O.W. employees have been removed from the D.C.A. employment forecast and calculation.

- Total employment for the Township of Blandford-Blenheim (excluding work at home and N.F.P.O.W. employment) is anticipated to reach approximately 1,190 by mid-2034. This represents an employment increase of approximately 190 for the 10-year forecast period. ^[1]

7. Non-Residential Sq.ft. Estimates (G.F.A.), Appendix A – Schedule 8b)

- Square footage estimates were calculated in Schedule 8b based on the following employee density assumptions:
 - 8,157 sq.ft. per employee for industrial;
 - 525 sq.ft. per employee for commercial/population-related; and
 - 680 sq.ft. per employee for institutional employment.
- The Township-wide incremental G.F.A. is anticipated to increase by 1,083,500 sq.ft. over the 10-year forecast period.
- In terms of percentage growth, the 2024 to 2034 incremental G.F.A. forecast by sector is broken down as follows:
 - Industrial – 97%;
 - commercial/population-related – 2%; and
 - institutional – 1%.

8. Geographic Location of Non-Residential Development (Appendix A, Schedule 8c)

^[1] G.F.A. and employment associated within special care institutional dwellings treated as residential, resulting in an institutional employment difference between Schedules 8a and 8b. Total employment growth in Schedule 8b (excluding work at home and N.F.P.O.W. employment) has been downwardly adjusted to account for institutional employment associated with special care facilities. Total employment in Schedule 8b is anticipated to reach approximately 1,180 by mid-2034.



- Schedule 8c summarizes the anticipated amount, type and location of non-residential development by servicing area for the Township of Blandford-Blenheim by area.
- The amount and percentage of forecast total non-residential growth between 2024 and 2034 by development location is summarized below.

Table 3-3
Township of Blandford-Blenheim
Geographic Location of Non-Residential Development

Development Location	Amount of Non-Residential G.F.A. (sq.ft.), 2024 to 2034	Percentage of Non-Residential G.F.A., 2024 to 2034
Urban Serviced Area (Village of Plattsville)	18,000	2%
Urban Serviced Area (Village of Drumbo)	57,500	5%
Unserviced Urban Settlement Area and Remaining Rural Areas	1,008,100	93%
Township of Blandford-Blenheim	1,083,500	100%

Note: Figures may not sum precisely due to rounding.



Chapter 4

The Approach to the Calculation of the Charge



4. The Approach to the Calculation of the Charge

4.1 Introduction

This chapter addresses the requirements of subsection 5 (1) of the D.C.A. with respect to the establishment of the need for service which underpins the D.C. calculation. These requirements are illustrated schematically in Figure 4-1.

4.2 Services Potentially Involved

Table 4-2 lists the full range of municipal services that are provided by the Township.

A number of these services are not listed as eligible services for inclusion in a D.C. by-law as per subsection 2 (4) of the D.C.A. These are shown as “ineligible” on Table 4-2. Two ineligible costs defined in subsection 5 (3) of the D.C.A. are “computer equipment” and “rolling stock with an estimated useful life of (less than) seven years.” Furthermore, studies are also no longer an eligible capital cost. In addition, local roads are covered separately under subdivision agreements and related means (as are other local services). Services which are potentially eligible for inclusion in the Township’s D.C. are indicated with a “Yes.”

4.3 Increase in the Need for Service

The D.C. calculation commences with an estimate of “the increase in the need for service attributable to the anticipated development,” for each service to be covered by the by-law. There must be some form of link or attribution between the anticipated development and the estimated increase in the need for service. While the need could conceivably be expressed generally in terms of units of capacity, subsection 5 (1) 3, which requires that Council indicate that it intends to ensure that such an increase in need will be met, suggests that a project-specific expression of need would be most appropriate.



Figure 4-1
The Process of Calculating a Development Charge under the Act that must be followed

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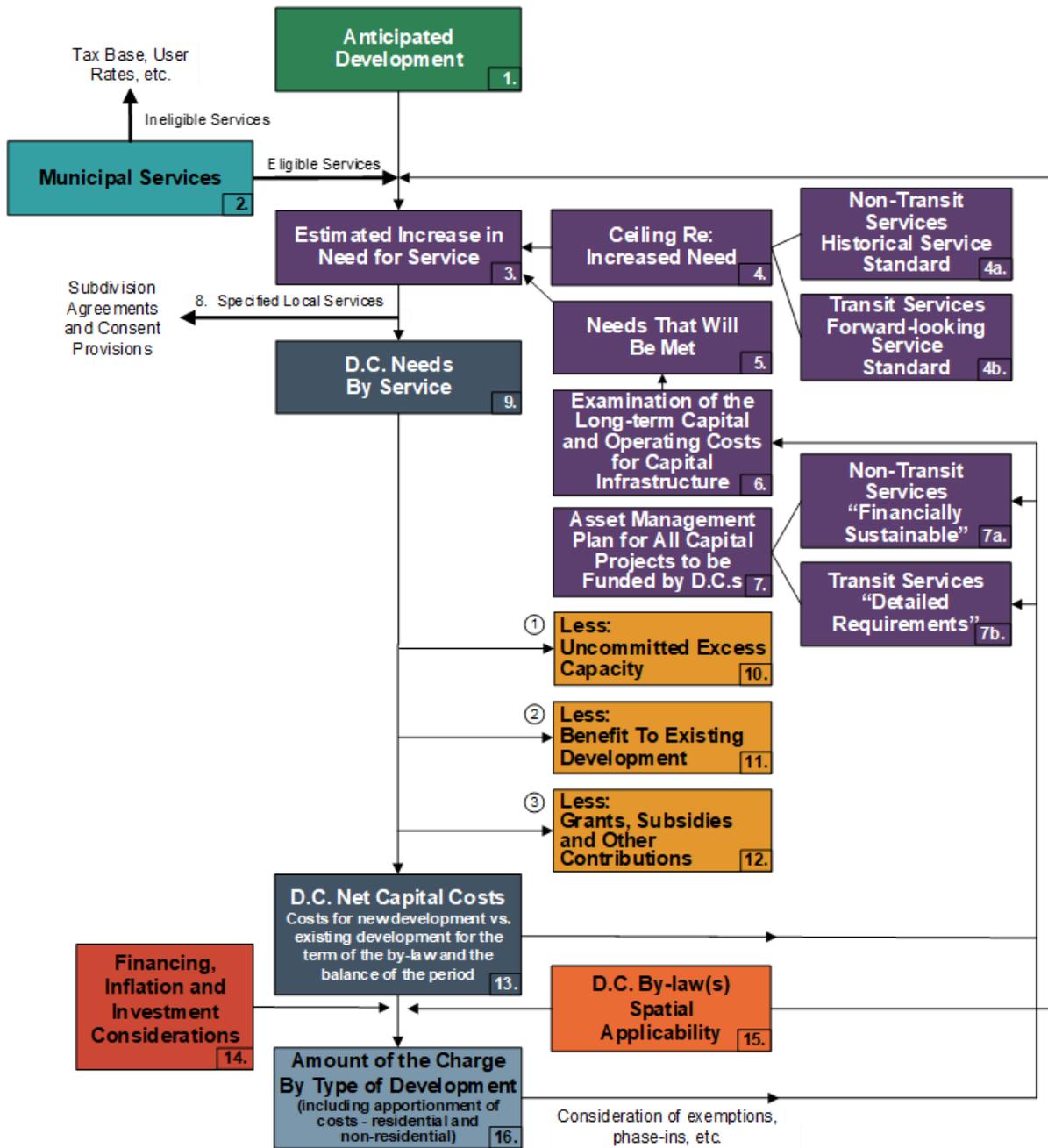




Table 4-1
Categories of Municipal Services to be Addressed as Part of the Calculation – Eligibility Legend

Eligibility for Inclusion in the D.C. Calculation	Description
Yes	Municipality provides the service – service has been included in the D.C. calculation.
No	Municipality provides the service – service has not been included in the D.C. calculation.
n/a	Municipality does not provide the service.
Ineligible	Service is ineligible for inclusion in the D.C. calculation.

Table 4-2
Categories of Municipal Services to be Addressed as Part of the Calculation

Categories of Municipal Services	Inclusion in the D.C. Calculation	Service Components
1. Water supply services, including distribution and treatment services	No	1.1 Treatment plants
	No	1.2 Distribution systems
	n/a	1.3 Local systems
	No	1.4 Vehicles and equipment ¹
2. Wastewater services, including sewers and treatment services	No	2.1 Treatment plants
	No	2.2 Sewage trunks
	n/a	2.3 Local systems
	No	2.4 Vehicles and equipment ¹
3. Stormwater Drainage and Control Services	No	3.1 Main channels and drainage trunks
	No	3.2 Channel connections
	No	3.3 Retention/detention ponds

¹ with a 7+ year useful life



Categories of Municipal Services	Inclusion in the D.C. Calculation	Service Components
4. Services Related to a Highway	Yes	4.1 Arterial roads
	Yes	4.2 Collector roads
	Yes	4.3 Bridges, Culverts and Roundabouts
	No	4.4 Local municipal roads
	Yes	4.5 Traffic signals
	Yes	4.6 Sidewalks and streetlights
	Yes	4.7 Active Transportation
	Yes	4.8 Works Yard
	Yes	4.9 Rolling stock ¹
5. Electrical Power Services	n/a	5.1 Electrical substations
	n/a	5.2 Electrical distribution system
	n/a	5.3 Electrical system rolling stock ¹
6. Transit Services	No	6.1 Transit vehicles ¹ & facilities
	No	6.2 Other transit infrastructure
7. Waste Diversion Services	n/a	7.1 Waste diversion facilities
	n/a	7.2 Waste diversion vehicles and equipment ¹
8. Policing Services	n/a	8.1 Police detachments
	n/a	8.2 Police rolling stock ¹
	n/a	8.3 Small equipment and gear
9. Fire Protection Services	Yes	9.1 Fire stations
	Yes	9.2 Fire Vehicles ¹
	Yes	9.3 Fire Equipment and gear
10. Ambulance Services	n/a	10.1 Ambulance station space
	n/a	10.2 Vehicles ¹
11. Services provided by a board within the meaning of the <i>Public Libraries Act</i>	No	11.1 Public library space (incl. furniture and equipment)
	n/a	11.2 Library vehicles ¹
	No	11.3 Library materials
12. Services Related to Long-Term Care	n/a	12.1 Long-Term Care space
	n/a	12.2 Vehicles ¹

¹ with a 7+ year useful life



Categories of Municipal Services	Inclusion in the D.C. Calculation	Service Components
13. Parks and Recreation Services	Ineligible Yes Yes Yes Yes	13.1 Acquisition of land for parks, woodlots and E.S.A.s 13.2 Development of municipal parks 13.3 Parks rolling stock ¹ and yards 13.4 Facilities, such as arenas, indoor pools, fitness facilities, community centres, etc. 13.5 Recreation vehicles and equipment ¹
14. Services Related to Public Health	n/a n/a	14.1 Public Health department space 14.2 Public Health department vehicles ¹
15. Child Care and Early Years Programs and Services within the meaning of Part VI of the <i>Child Care and Early Years Act, 2014</i> and any related services.	n/a n/a	15.1 Childcare space 15.2 Vehicles ¹
16. Services related to proceedings under the <i>Provincial Offences Act, including by-law enforcement services and municipally administered court services</i>	n/a n/a	16.1 P.O.A. space, including by-law enforcement and municipally administered court services 16.2 Vehicles ¹
17. Services Related to Emergency Preparedness	No No	17.1 Emergency Preparedness Space 17.2 Equipment
18. Services Related to Airports	n/a Ineligible	18.1 Airports (in the Regional Municipality of Waterloo) 18.2 Other Airports
19. Other	Yes	19.1 Interest on money borrowed to pay for growth-related capital

¹ with a 7+ year useful life



4.4 Local Service Policy

Some of the need for services generated by additional development consists of local services related to a plan of subdivision. As such, they will be required as a condition of subdivision agreements or consent conditions. The Township's Local Service Policy is included in Appendix E.

4.5 Capital Forecast

Paragraph 7 of subsection 5 (1) of the D.C.A. requires that “the capital costs necessary to provide the increased services must be estimated.” The Act goes on to require potential cost reductions and the regulation sets out the way in which such costs are to be presented. These requirements are outlined below.

These estimates involve capital costing of the increased services discussed above. This entails costing actual projects or the provision of service units, depending on how each service has been addressed.

The capital costs include:

- a) costs to acquire land or an interest therein (including a leasehold interest);
- b) costs to improve land;
- c) costs to acquire, lease, construct or improve buildings and structures;
- d) costs to acquire, lease or improve facilities, including rolling stock (with a useful life of 7 or more years), furniture and equipment (other than computer equipment), materials acquired for library circulation, reference, or information purposes; and
- e) interest on money borrowed to pay for the above-referenced costs.

In order for an increase in need for service to be included in the D.C. calculation, municipal Council must indicate “that it intends to ensure that such an increase in need will be met” (subsection 5 (1) 3). This can be done if the increase in service forms part of a Council-approved Official Plan, capital forecast, or similar expression of the intention of Council (O. Reg. 82/98 section 3). The capital program contained herein reflects the Township's approved and proposed capital budgets and master servicing/needs studies.



4.6 Treatment of Credits

Section 8, paragraph 5, of O. Reg. 82/98 indicates that a D.C. background study must set out “the estimated value of credits that are being carried forward relating to the service.” Subsection 17, paragraph 4, of the same regulation indicates that, “...the value of the credit cannot be recovered from future D.C.s,” if the credit pertains to an ineligible service. This implies that a credit for eligible services can be recovered from future D.C.s. As a result, this provision should be made in the calculation, in order to avoid a funding shortfall with respect to future service needs.

The Township has no outstanding D.C. credit obligations.

4.7 Eligible Debt and Committed Excess Capacity

Section 66 of the D.C.A. states that for the purposes of developing a D.C. by-law, a debt incurred with respect to an eligible service may be included as a capital cost, subject to any limitations or reductions in the Act. Similarly, s.18 of O. Reg. 82/98 indicates that debt with respect to an ineligible service may be included as a capital cost, subject to several restrictions.

In order for such costs to be eligible, two conditions must apply. First, they must have funded excess capacity which is able to meet service needs attributable to the anticipated development. Second, the excess capacity must be “committed,” that is, either before or at the time it was created, Council must have expressed a clear intention that it would be paid for by D.C.s or other similar charges. For example, this may have been done as part of previous D.C. processes.

4.8 Existing Reserve Funds

Section 35 of the D.C.A. states that:

“The money in a reserve fund established for a service may be spent only for capital costs determined under paragraphs 2 to 8 of subsection 5(1).”

There is no explicit requirement under the D.C.A. calculation method set out in s.s.5(1) to net the outstanding reserve fund balance as part of making the D.C. calculation; however, s.35 does restrict the way in which the funds are used in future.



The Township’s D.C. Reserve Funds balances, by service, are presented in Table 4-3 below. 2022 year-end reserve fund balances have been adjusted to account for eligible and actual reserve fund draws and commitments occurring over the 2019 to 2023 period. Furthermore, the reserve funds have also been adjusted to account for actual 2023 D.C. revenues. These balances have been applied against future spending requirements for all services.

Table 4-3
Township of Blandford-Blenheim
Estimated D.C. Reserve Funds Balances

Service	2022 Year-End Reserve Fund Balance	2023 D.C. Revenues	2019-2023 Adjustment	Adjusted Balance
Fire Services	95,249	58,457	(193,684)	(39,977)
Roads and Related Services	85,733	97,313	(169,884)	13,162
Parks and Recreation	(168,038)	51,972	(490,770)	(606,837)
Administration Studies	19,191	7,480	(13,860)	12,811
Total	32,134	215,223	(868,198)	(620,841)

4.9 Deductions

The D.C.A. potentially requires that four deductions be made to the increase in the need for service. These relate to:

- the level of service ceiling;
- uncommitted excess capacity;
- benefit to existing development; and
- anticipated grants, subsidies, and other contributions.

The requirements behind each of these reductions are addressed as follows:

4.9.1 Reduction Required by Level of Service Ceiling

This is designed to ensure that the increase in need included in 4.3 does “...not include an increase that would result in the level of service (for the additional development increment) exceeding the average level of the service provided in the Municipality over the 15-year period immediately preceding the preparation of the background study...” O. Reg. 82.98 (s.4) goes further to indicate that, “...both the quantity and quality of a



service shall be taken into account in determining the level of service and the average level of service.”

In many cases, this can be done by establishing a quantity measure in terms of units as floor area, land area or road length per capita, and a quality measure in terms of the average cost of providing such units based on replacement costs, engineering standards or recognized performance measurement systems, depending on circumstances. When the quantity and quality factors are multiplied together, they produce a measure of the level of service which meets the requirements of the Act, i.e., cost per unit.

The average service level calculation sheets for each service component in the D.C. calculation are set out in Appendix B.

4.9.2 Reduction for Uncommitted Excess Capacity

Paragraph 5 of subsection 5 (1) requires a deduction from the increase in the need for service attributable to the anticipated development that can be met using the municipality’s “excess capacity,” other than excess capacity which is “committed.”

“Excess capacity” is undefined, but in this case must be able to meet some or all of the increase in need for service, in order to potentially represent a deduction. The deduction of uncommitted excess capacity from the future increase in the need for service would normally occur as part of the conceptual planning and feasibility work associated with justifying and sizing new facilities, e.g., if a road widening to accommodate increased traffic is not required because sufficient excess capacity is already available, then widening would not be included as an increase in need, in the first instance.

4.9.3 Reduction for Benefit to Existing Development

Section 5 (1) 6 of the D.C.A. provides that, “The increase in the need for service must be reduced by the extent to which an increase in service to meet the increased need would benefit existing development.” The general guidelines used to consider benefit to existing development included:

- the repair or unexpanded replacement of existing assets that are in need of repair;



- an increase in average service level of quantity or quality (compare water as an example);
- the elimination of a chronic servicing problem not created by growth; and
- providing services where none previously existed (generally considered for water or wastewater services).

This step involves a further reduction in the need by the extent to which such an increase in service would benefit existing development. The level of service cap in section 4.9.1 is related but is not the identical requirement. Sanitary, storm, and water trunks are highly localized to growth areas and can be more readily allocated in this regard than other services such as services related to a highway, which do not have a fixed service area.

Where existing development has an adequate service level which will not be tangibly increased by an increase in service, no benefit would appear to be involved. For example, where expanding existing library facilities simply replicates what existing residents are receiving, they receive very limited (or no) benefit as a result. On the other hand, where a clear existing service problem is to be remedied, a deduction should be made accordingly.

In the case of services such as recreation facilities, community parks, libraries, etc., the service is typically provided on a Township-wide system basis. For example, facilities of the same type may provide different services (i.e., leisure pool vs. competitive pool), different programs (i.e., hockey vs. figure skating), and different time availability for the same service (i.e., leisure skating available on Wednesdays in one arena and Thursdays in another). As a result, residents will travel to different facilities to access the services they want at the times they wish to use them, and facility location generally does not correlate directly with residence location. Even where it does, displacing users from an existing facility to a new facility frees up capacity for use by others and generally results in only a very limited benefit to existing development. Further, where an increase in demand is not met for a number of years, a negative service impact to existing development is involved for a portion of the planning period.



4.9.4 Reduction for Anticipated Grants, Subsidies and Other Contributions

This step involves reducing the capital costs necessary to provide the increased services by capital grants, subsidies, and other contributions (including direct developer contributions required due to the local service policy) made or anticipated by Council and in accordance with various rules such as the attribution between the share related to new vs. existing development. That is, some grants and contributions may not specifically be applicable to growth or where Council targets fundraising as a measure to offset impacts on taxes (O. Reg. 82/98, section 6).

4.10 Township-Wide vs. Area Rating

This step involves determining whether all the subject costs are to be recovered on a uniform Township-wide basis or whether some or all are to be recovered on an area-specific basis. Under the D.C.A., it is now mandatory to “consider” area-rating of services (providing charges for specific areas and services), however, it is not mandatory to implement area-rating. Further discussion is provided in section 7.3.8.

4.11 Allocation of Development

This step involves relating the costs involved to anticipated development for each period under consideration and using allocations between residential and non-residential development and between one type of development and another, to arrive at a schedule of charges.



Chapter 5

D.C.-Eligible Cost Analysis by Service



5. D.C.-Eligible Cost Analysis by Service

5.1 Introduction

This chapter outlines the basis for calculating eligible costs for the D.C.s to be applied on a uniform Township-wide basis. In each case, the required calculation process set out in subsection 5 (1) paragraphs 2 to 7 in the D.C.A. and described in Chapter 4 was followed in determining D.C.-eligible costs.

The nature of the capital projects and timing identified in this chapter reflects Council's current intention. Over time, however, Township projects and Council priorities change; and accordingly, Council's intentions may alter, and different capital projects (and timing) may be necessary to meet the need for services required by new growth.

5.2 Service Levels and 10-Year Capital Costs for D.C. Calculation

This section evaluates the development-related capital requirements for select services over the 10-year planning period (2024-2034). Each service is evaluated on two format sheets: the average historical 15-year level of service calculation (see Appendix B), which "caps" the D.C. amounts; and the infrastructure cost calculation, which determines the potential D.C. recoverable cost.

5.2.1 *Services Related to a Highway*

The Township currently provides services related to a highway utilizing an inventory of 338 km of roads, 74 bridges and culverts, and 2.42 km of sidewalks. The services are also managed through the use of 23,582 sq.ft. of public works facility space and 23 vehicles. This total historical level of investment results in an average level of service of \$24,579 per capita over the past 15-years. When applied against the anticipated population growth over the 10-year forecast period (i.e., 1,128 net population growth including institutional population), this results in a maximum D.C.-eligible amount of \$26.2 million that could be included in the calculation of the charge.

The capital needs, which have been factored into the calculation of the charge over the 10-year forecast period, were based on the Township's capital budget and discussions with staff. In total, \$23.4 million in gross capital costs of growth-related projects have



been identified. \$13.2 million has been deducted as a benefit to existing development, \$172,100 has been deducted in recognition of benefits to growth outside the 10-year forecast period, and a further \$7.5 million has been deducted for other County and landowner contributions. After deducting \$13,200 for an existing reserve fund surplus, \$2.5 million of costs are included in the calculation of the charge.

These D.C.-eligible costs are then attributed 86% to residential development and 14% to non-residential development based on the relationship of population to employment growth anticipated over the 10-year forecast period (i.e., 1,128 population and 185 employment). These growth-related projects and costs are detailed in Table 5-1.

5.2.2 Fire Protection Services

Fire protection services in the Township are provided through four fire stations totaling 15,460 sq.ft. of G.F.A. Included within these three fire stations are 12 vehicles and 111 items of equipment. This total historical level of investment results in an average level of service of \$2,003 per capita over the past 15-years. When applied against the anticipated population growth over the 10-year forecast period (i.e., 1,128 net population growth including institutional population), this results in a maximum D.C.-eligible amount of \$2.3 million that could be included in the calculation of the charge.

To provide service to new development over the 10-year forecast period, \$4.8 million in gross capital costs of growth-related projects have been identified including a new station in Princeton and an Aerial/Pumper apparatus. \$2.5 million of the gross capital costs have been deducted as a benefit to existing development. After removing \$72,200 for growth-related costs that are of a benefit to growth beyond the 10-year forecast period and accounting for the reserve fund deficit of \$40,000, \$2.3 million of costs are included in the calculation of the charge.

These D.C.-eligible costs are then attributed 86% to residential development and 14% to non-residential development based on the relationship of population to employment growth anticipated over the 10-year forecast period (i.e., 1,128 population and 185 employment). These growth-related projects and costs are detailed in Table 5-2.

5.2.3 Parks and Recreation Services

The Township currently provides Parks and Recreation Services through 32 park amenities, 16 vehicles and 49,932 sq.ft of facility space. This total historical level of



investment results in an average level of service of \$3,246 per capita over the past 15-years. When applied against the anticipated population growth over the 10-year forecast period (i.e., 1,128 net population growth including institutional population), this results in a maximum D.C.-eligible amount of \$3.7 million that could be included in the calculation of the charge.

To provide service to new development over the 10-year forecast period, \$505,000 in gross capital costs of growth-related projects have been identified related to parkland development. \$140,500 has been deducted as a benefit to existing development. After accounting for the reserve fund deficit of \$606,800, \$956,700 of costs are included in the calculation of the charge.

These D.C.-eligible costs are then attributed 95% to residential development as they are the primary uses of Parks and Recreation Services. These growth-related projects and costs are detailed in Table 5-3.



**Table 5-1
Infrastructure Costs Covered in the D.C. Calculation – Services Related to a Highway**

Prj. No	Increased Service Needs Attributable to Anticipated Development 2024-2033	Timing (year)	Gross Capital Cost Estimate (2024\$)	Post Period Benefit	Other Deductions	Net Capital Cost	Less:		Potential D.C. Recoverable Cost		
							Benefit to Existing Development	Grants, Subsidies and Other Contributions Attributable to New Development	Total	Residential Share 86%	Non-Residential Share 14%
	Roads		-	-		-	-		-	-	-
1	Murray Street Extension	2024-2033	143,400	28,700		114,700	114,700		-	-	-
2	Princeton Municipal Drain & Street Upgrades Phase 2	2024-2033	6,925,832	-	2,242,330	4,683,502	4,111,600		571,902	491,836	80,066
3	Princeton Municipal Drain & Street Upgrades Phase 3 - North Side of Princeton		4,403,092		1,790,658	2,612,434	2,293,400		319,034	274,369	44,665
4	Princeton Municipal Drain & Street Upgrades Phase 3 - East Side of Princeton		5,822,549		3,458,549	2,364,000	2,075,300		288,700	248,282	40,418
5	Township Road 13 near Plattsville (3.6 km)	2025	750,000	-		750,000	600,000		150,000	129,000	21,000
6	Gobles Rd. Pulverize and Pave	2026	1,000,000	-		1,000,000	877,900		122,100	105,006	17,094
	<u>Hard Surface Projects</u>		-	-		-	-		-	-	-
7	TWP RD 12F	2029	150,000	-		150,000	131,700		18,300	15,738	2,562
8	TWP RD 6 B	2024	215,000	-		215,000	188,700		26,300	22,618	3,682
9	TWP RD 11 F	2026	205,000	-		205,000	180,000		25,000	21,500	3,500
10	TWP. RD. 11 HILL IMPROVEMENTS	2025	300,000	-		300,000	263,400		36,600	31,476	5,124
11	Blandford Rd	2025	90,000	-		90,000	72,000		18,000	15,480	2,520
12	TWP RD 3B	2027	230,000	-		230,000	201,900		28,100	24,166	3,934
13	OX-WAT. Rd. (Pinehill Rd. to Piddicombe Rd.)	2025	130,750	-		130,750	114,800		15,950	13,717	2,233
14	OX-WAT. Rd. (Piddicombe Rd. to Tye Rd.)	2026	100,000	-		100,000	87,800		12,200	10,492	1,708
15	TWP RD 5D	2033	250,000	-		250,000	219,500		30,500	26,230	4,270
16	OX-WAT. Rd. (Tye Rd. to Walker Rd.)	2027	152,000	-		152,000	133,400		18,600	15,996	2,604
17	OX-WAT. Rd. (Walker Rd. to Diamond Rd.)	2032	152,000	-		152,000	133,400		18,600	15,996	2,604
18	TWP RD 11E	2028	322,600	-		322,600	283,200		39,400	33,884	5,516
19	HARDSURFACE TWP. RD. 4D	2029	250,000	-		250,000	219,500		30,500	26,230	4,270



Table 5-1 Cont'd
Infrastructure Costs Covered in the D.C. Calculation – Services Related to a Highway

Prj. No	Increased Service Needs Attributable to Anticipated Development 2024-2033	Timing (year)	Gross Capital Cost Estimate (2024\$)	Post Period Benefit	Other Deductions	Net Capital Cost	Less:		Potential D.C. Recoverable Cost		
							Benefit to Existing Development	Grants, Subsidies and Other Contributions Attributable to New Development	Total	Residential Share 86%	Non-Residential Share 14%
	Base Improvements		-	-		-	-		-	-	-
20	TWP RD 6B	2024	100,000	-		100,000	87,800		12,200	10,492	1,708
21	Blandford Rd - North of CR 8	2024	75,000	-		75,000	65,800		9,200	7,912	1,288
22	TWP RD 3B	2026	100,000	-		100,000	87,800		12,200	10,492	1,708
23	TWP RD 5D	2032	100,000	-		100,000	87,800		12,200	10,492	1,708
24	TWP RD 4D	2029	100,000	-		100,000	87,800		12,200	10,492	1,708
25	TWP RD 11E	2033	100,000	-		100,000	87,800		12,200	10,492	1,708
26	TWP RD 5B	2034	143,400	143,400		-	-		-	-	-
27	BASE IMPROVEMENTS TWP RD 12	2028	75,000	-		75,000	65,800		9,200	7,912	1,288
28	BASE IMPROVEMENTS TWP. RD. 3 C	2030	100,000	-		100,000	87,800		12,200	10,492	1,708
29	BASE IMPROVEMENTOX-WAT. RD. (WILMOT)	2031	100,000	-		100,000	87,800		12,200	10,492	1,708
			-	-		-	-		-	-	-
	Public Works		-	-		-	-		-	-	-
30	Trackless Sidewalk Plow	2033	205,300	-		205,300	-		205,300	176,558	28,742
31	Tandem Plow	2024-2033	425,000	-		425,000	-		425,000	365,500	59,500
32	Multi-Use Trail along Hoffstetter	2024-2033	151,500	-		151,500	133,000		18,500	15,910	2,590
			-	-		-	-		-	-	-
	Reserve Fund Adjustment		-	-		-	-		(13,162)	(11,319)	(1,843)
			-	-		-	-		-	-	-
	Total		23,367,423	172,100	7,491,537	15,703,786	13,181,400	-	2,509,224	2,157,933	351,291



**Table 5-2
Infrastructure Costs Covered in the D.C. Calculation – Fire Protection Services**

Prj. No	Increased Service Needs Attributable to Anticipated Development 2024-2033	Timing (year)	Gross Capital Cost Estimate (2024\$)	Post Period Benefit	Net Capital Cost	Less:		Potential D.C. Recoverable Cost		
						Benefit to Existing Development	Grants, Subsidies and Other Contributions Attributable to New Development	Total	Residential Share 86%	Non- Residential Share 14%
1	New Princeton Fire Station	2024	2,000,000	72,198	1,927,802	925,900		1,001,902	861,636	140,266
2	Aerial/Pumper	2026	2,200,000	-	2,200,000	1,100,000		1,100,000	946,000	154,000
3	Drumbo Rescue	2026	555,000	-	555,000	465,000		90,000	77,400	12,600
4	Unfunded PPB of Previously Completed Projects	2024	23,768	-	23,768	-		23,768	20,441	3,328
5	Confined Spaces Equipment	2024	35,000	-	35,000	30,700		4,300	3,698	602
			-	-	-	-		-	-	-
	Reserve Fund Adjustment							39,977	34,380	5,597
	Total		4,813,769	72,198	4,741,571	2,521,600	-	2,259,948	1,943,555	316,393



**Table 5-3
Infrastructure Costs Covered in the D.C. Calculation – Parks and Recreation Services**

Prj.No	Increased Service Needs Attributable to Anticipated Development	Timing (year)	Gross Capital Cost Estimate (2024\$)	Post Period Benefit	Other Deductions	Net Capital Cost	Less:		Potential D.C. Recoverable Cost		
							Benefit to Existing Development	Grants, Subsidies and Other Contributions Attributable to New Development	Total	Residential Share	Non- Residential Share
	2024-2033									95%	5%
1	Dog park	2029-2033	55,000	-		55,000	-		55,000	52,250	2,750
2	Plattsville Park Redevelopment	2024-2033	160,000	-		160,000	140,500	14,653	4,847	4,605	242
3	Provision for Parkland Development & Walking Trails	2024-2033	290,000	-		290,000	-		290,000	275,500	14,500
	Reserve Fund Adjustment								606,837	576,495	30,342
	Total		505,000	-	-	505,000	140,500	14,653	956,684	908,850	47,834



Chapter 6

D.C. Calculation



6. D.C. Calculation

The calculation of the maximum D.C.s that could be imposed by Council has been undertaken using a cash-flow approach for the growth-related capital costs identified in Chapter 5. Table 6-1 presents the Township-wide D.C. calculation for all Township-wide services over the 10-year planning horizon (i.e., 2024-2034).

The calculation for residential development is generated on a per capita basis and is based upon four forms of housing types (single and semi-detached, apartments 2+ bedrooms, apartment's bachelor and 1 bedroom, and all other multiples). Special care/special needs facilities would be considered residential dwelling units and charged the small apartment D.C. The non-residential D.C. has been calculated uniformly on a per sq.m. of G.F.A. basis.

Wind Turbine developments would be defined as industrial development within the growth forecast. As these developments do not produce G.F.A. similar to other industrial developments, a charging mechanism is deemed. For each Wind Turbine, a charge is deemed equivalent to a residential single detached unit, as it relates to Services Related to a Highway and Fire Protection Services.

The cash-flow calculations of the maximum D.C.s s that could be imposed by Council have been undertaken to account for the timing of revenues and expenditures and the resultant financing needs. The cash-flow calculations have been undertaken by service for each forecast development type, i.e. residential, and non-residential. D.C. cash flow calculation tables are provided in Appendix C and have been undertaken to account for 1% earnings on D.C. reserve fund balances and 3% interest charged for reserve fund borrowing.

Table 6-2 summarizes the recommended schedule of charges, reflecting the maximum D.C.s by residential dwelling type, per sq.m. of G.F.A. for non-residential development, per bed for farm bunk houses, and per wind turbine. The total charge that would be payable in the first year of the by-law (i.e., 80% of the maximum charge) is also presented.

Table 6-3 compares the Township's existing charges (full calculated and current) to the charges proposed herein in Table 6-2 (i.e., fully calculated and year 1 D.C.), for a single detached residential dwelling unit and per sq.m. of G.F.A. for non-residential



development. The year-1 charges are \$9,923 for a single detached residential dwelling unit, and \$5.70 per sq.m. of non-residential G.F.A. The year 1 residential charges for a single detached dwelling unit represent a 12% decrease (-\$1,366) over the current charges of \$11,289. The year 1 non-residential charges per sq.m. represents an 86% decrease (-\$36.40) over the current charges of \$42.10.

**Table 6-1
Township-Wide Services D.C. Calculation
2024-2034**

SERVICE/CLASS	2024\$ D.C.-Eligible Cost		2024\$ D.C.-Eligible Cost	
	Residential	Non-Residential	S.D.U.	per sq.m.
1. Services Related to a Highway	\$ 2,157,933	\$ 351,291	\$ 5,340	\$ 3.50
2. Fire Protection Services	1,943,555	316,393	4,799	3.14
3. Parks and Recreation Services	908,850	47,834	2,265	0.48
TOTAL	\$5,010,338	\$715,518	\$12,404	7.12
Financing Costs/(Earnings)	\$14,142	\$1,364		
D.C.-Eligible Capital Cost	\$5,024,481	\$716,882		
Buildout Gross Population/GFA Growth (sq.m.)	1,278	100,660		
Cost Per Capita/Non-Residential GFA (sq.m.)	\$3,931.52	\$7.12		
By Residential Unit Type	P.P.U.			
Single and Semi-Detached Dwelling	3.155	\$12,404		
Other Multiples	2.179	\$8,567		
Apartments - 2 Bedrooms +	1.745	\$6,862		
Apartments - Bachelor and 1 Bedroom	1.108	\$4,355		

**Table 6-2
Schedule of Calculated D.C.s**

Service	RESIDENTIAL				NON-RESIDENTIAL	
	Single and Semi-Detached Dwelling	Other Multiples	Apartments - 2 Bedrooms +	Apartments - Bachelor and 1 Bedroom	(per sq.m. of Gross Floor Area)	(per Wind Turbine)
Municipal Wide Services:						
Services Related to a Highway	5,340	3,688	2,954	1,875	3.50	5,340
Fire Protection Services	4,799	3,315	2,655	1,685	3.14	4,799
Parks and Recreation Services	2,265	1,564	1,253	795	0.48	
Total Municipal Wide Services	12,404	8,567	6,862	4,355	7.12	10,139



Table 6-3
Comparison of Current and Calculated D.C.s

Residential (Single Detached) Comparison

Service	Current	Calculated	Change (\$)	Change (%)
Municipal Wide Services:				
Services Related to a Highway	6,836	5,340	(1,496)	-22%
Fire Protection Services	3,531	4,799	1,268	36%
Parks and Recreation Services	3,745	2,265	(1,480)	-40%
Growth-Related Studies	-	-	-	n/a
Total Municipal Wide Services	14,112	12,404	(1,708)	-12%
Year 1 Charge (80% of Full Charge)	11,289	9,923	(1,366)	-12%

Non-Residential (per sq.m.) Comparison

Service	Current	Calculated	Change (\$)	Change (%)
Municipal Wide Services:				
Services Related to a Highway	27.69	3.50	(24.20)	-87%
Fire Protection Services	14.32	3.14	(11.17)	-78%
Parks and Recreation Services	10.61	0.48	(10.13)	-95%
Growth-Related Studies	-	-	-	n/a
Total Municipal Wide Services	52.62	7.12	(45.50)	-86%
Year 1 Charge (80% of Full Charge)	42.10	5.70	(36.40)	-86%



Chapter 7

D.C. Policy Recommendations and D.C. Policy Rules



7. D.C. Policy Recommendations and D.C. Policy Rules

7.1 Introduction

This chapter outlines the D.C. policy recommendations and by-law rules.

Subsection 5 (1) 9 of the D.C.A. states that rules must be developed:

“to determine if a development charge is payable in any particular case and to determine the amount of the charge, subject to the limitations set out in subsection 6.”

Paragraph 10 of the section goes on to state that the rules may provide for exemptions, phasing in and/or indexing of D.C.s.

Subsection 5 (6) establishes the following restrictions on the rules:

- the total of all D.C.s that would be imposed on anticipated development must not exceed the capital costs determined under subsection 5 (1) 2-7 for all services involved;
- if the rules expressly identify a type of development, they must not provide for it to pay D.C.s that exceed the capital costs that arise from the increase in the need for service for that type of development; however, this requirement does not relate to any particular development; and
- if the rules provide for a type of development to have a lower D.C. than is allowed, the rules for determining D.C.s may not provide for any resulting shortfall to be made up via other development.

With respect to “the rules,” section 6 states that a D.C. by-law must expressly address the matters referred to above re subsection 5 (1) paragraphs 9 and 10, as well as how the rules apply to the redevelopment of land.

The rules provided give consideration for the recent changes to the D.C.A. resulting from Bills 109, 23, 97, and 134. However, these policies are provided for Council’s consideration and may be refined prior to adoption of the by-law.



7.2 D.C. By-law Structure

It is recommended that:

- The Township uses a uniform Township-wide D.C. calculation for all services considered herein;
- The Township uses one Township-wide D.C. by-law for all services to be recovered through D.C.s.

7.3 D.C. By-law Rules

The following sets out the recommended rules governing the calculation, payment and collection of D.C.s in accordance with subsection 6 of the D.C.A.

7.3.1 *Payment in any Particular Case*

In accordance with the D.C.A., s.2(2), a D.C. be calculated, payable and collected where the development requires one or more of the following:

- (a) the passing of a zoning by-law or of an amendment to a zoning by-law under section 34 of the Planning Act;
- (b) the approval of a minor variance under section 45 of the Planning Act;
- (c) a conveyance of land to which a by-law passed under subsection 50 (7) of the Planning Act applies;
- (d) the approval of a plan of subdivision under section 51 of the Planning Act;
- (e) a consent under section 53 of the Planning Act;
- (f) the approval of a description under section 9 of the Condominium Act, 1998;
- or
- (g) the issuing of a permit under the Building Code Act, 1992 in relation to a building or structure.

7.3.2 *Determination of the Amount of the Charge*

The following conventions be adopted:

- 1) Costs allocated to residential uses will be assigned to different types of residential units based on the average occupancy for each housing type constructed during the previous 15-year period. Costs allocated to non-residential uses will be assigned



based on the amount of square feet of G.F.A. constructed for eligible uses (i.e., primary, industrial, commercial, and institutional).

2) Costs allocated to residential and non-residential uses are based upon a number of conventions, as may be suited to each municipal circumstance, as follows:

- For Parks and Recreation Services, a 5% non-residential attribution has been made to recognize use by the non-residential sector; and
- For Fire Protection Services and Services Related to a Highway an 86% residential and 14% non-residential attribution has been made based on a population vs. employment growth ratio over the Township-wide forecast period.

7.3.3 Application to Redevelopment of Land (Demolition and Conversion)

If a development involves the demolition and replacement of a building or structure on the same site, or the conversion from one principal use to another, the developer shall be allowed a credit equivalent to:

- the number of dwelling units demolished/converted multiplied by the applicable residential D.C. in place at the time the D.C. is payable; and/or
- the G.F.A. of the building demolished/converted multiplied by the current non-residential D.C. in place at the time the D.C. is payable.

The demolition credit is allowed only if the land was improved by occupied structures, and if the demolition permit related to the site was issued less than 60 months (5 years) prior to the issuance of a building permit.

The credit can, in no case, exceed the amount of D.C.s that would otherwise be payable. In cases where the existing residential dwelling cannot be removed until the new dwelling is constructed, the applicant can apply for a refund, provided the existing residential dwelling unit is removed within an agreed upon time period.

7.3.4 Exemptions (full or partial)

Statutory

- The municipality or local board thereof;
- A board of education; and



- Industrial additions of up to and including 50% of the existing G.F.A. of the building – for industrial additions which exceed 50% of the existing G.F.A., only the portion of the addition in excess of 50% is subject to D.C.s. Exemptions will only apply to 50% of the G.F.A. prior to the first expansion for which there was an exemption to the payment of D.C.s.
- An enlargement to an existing dwelling unit;
- Additional units in existing and new residential buildings:
 - May add up to two apartments for a single detached, semi-detached or row house (only one unit can be in an ancillary structure)
 - One additional unit or 1% of the units in an existing rental residential building with four or more residential units
- Affordable Units, Attainable Units, and Inclusionary Zoning Units;
- Non-Profit Housing; and
- Universities.

Non-Statutory

- Non-residential farm buildings;
- Non-residential buildings, other than industrial buildings;
- Places of worship;
- Public hospitals;
- Temporary buildings and structures;
- Long-term care homes;
- Affordable housing; and
- Temporary dwelling units.

For the purposes of funding non-statutory exemptions, the charge for Farm Buildings as defined in the by-law, has been determined to be \$0.10 per sq.m. of G.F.A. reflective of the lower demand for service and density of development.

7.3.5 Transition

As required by s.s. 5(8) of the D.C.A., the maximum charge shall be reduced over the first five years of the by-law as follows:

- Year 1 - 80% of the maximum charge;
- Year 2 - 85% of the maximum charge;



- Year 3 - 90% of the maximum charge;
- Year 4 - 95% of the maximum charge; and
- Year 5 to expiry - 100% of the maximum charge.

7.3.6 Timing of Collection

The D.C.s for all services and classes are payable upon issuance of a building permit for each dwelling unit, building, or structure, subject to early or late payment agreements entered into by the Township and an owner under s. 27 of the D.C.A.

Rental housing and institutional developments will pay D.C.s in six equal annual payments commencing at occupancy. Moreover, the D.C. amount for all developments occurring within two (2) years of a Site Plan or Zoning By-law Amendment planning approval (for applications submitted after January 1, 2020), shall be determined based on the D.C. in effect on the day of the applicable Site Plan or Zoning By-law Amendment application.

Installment payments and payments determined at the time of Site Plan or Zoning By-law Amendment application are subject to annual interest charges. The maximum interest rate the Township can impose is the average prime rate plus 1% as defined in s.s. 26.3(1) of the Act.

7.3.7 Indexing

Indexing of the D.C.s shall be implemented on a mandatory basis annually on June 13th (i.e., the anniversary date of the by-law coming into effect) each year in accordance with the Statistics Canada Quarterly, Non-Residential Building Construction Price Index (Table 18-10-0135-01)¹ for the most recent year-over-year period.

7.3.8 D.C Spatial Applicability

The D.C.A. historically has provided the opportunity for a municipality to impose Township-wide charges or area specific charges. Sections 2(7) and 2(8) of the D.C.A.

¹ O. Reg. 82/98 referenced “The Statistics Canada Quarterly, Construction Price Statistics, catalogue number 62-007” as the index source. Since implementation, Statistics Canada has modified this index twice and the above-noted index is the most current. The draft by-laws provided herein refers to O. Reg. 82/98 to ensure traceability should this index continue to be modified over time.



provide that a D.C. by-law may apply to the entire municipality or only part of it and more than one D.C. by-law may apply to the same area. The D.C.A. now requires municipalities to consider the application of Township-wide and area-specific D.C.s. s.10(2)(c.1) requires Council to consider the use of more than one D.C. by-law to reflect different needs from services in different areas. Most municipalities in Ontario have established uniform, Township-wide D.C.s. When area-specific charges are used, it is generally to underpin master servicing and front-end financing arrangements for more localized capital costs.

The rationale for maintaining a Township-wide D.C. approach is based, in part, on the following:

- The 15-year service level from all applicable services across the Township can be included to establish an upper ceiling on the amount of funds which can be collected. If a D.C. by-law applied to only a part of the Township, the level of service cannot exceed that which would be determined if the by-law applied to the whole municipality. As such, when applied to forecast growth within the specific area, it would establish an area specific level of service ceiling which could reduce the total revenue recoverable for the municipality, potentially resulting in D.C. revenue shortfalls and impacts on property taxes.
- Township-wide D.C.s ensures a consistent approach to financing the entire cost associated with growth-related capital projects. For example, user rates and property taxes are required to finance the share of growth-related capital projects not recoverable by D.C.s and all associated operating costs. Therefore, the use of area specific D.C.s results in a share of growth-related capital costs being recovered from a specific area, with the remaining capital costs of the projects (i.e., non-D.C. recoverable share) and the associated operating costs with those new assets being recovered from uniform user rates and property taxes, applied to the entire Township.
- Attempting to impose an area-specific D.C. potentially causes equity issues in transitioning from a Township-wide approach to an area-specific approach. An area of a municipality that is less developed and becomes subject to an area specific D.C., could face a significant increase in D.C. rates, as the municipality will not benefit from drawing on the pool of D.C. funding and may have contributed D.C.s to fund capital required to support development in other communities of the municipality. Whereas another part of the municipality that



has experienced significant growth which required substantial capital investments, benefitted from the capital investments being financed by Township-wide D.C.s. The implementation of area specific D.C.s could result in varying D.C.s across the municipality, which may impact the ability to attract investment into parts of the community.

- Services are generally available across the municipality, used often by all residents and are not restricted to one specific geographic area. The use of a Township-wide D.C. approach reflects these system-wide benefits of service and more closely aligns with the funding principles of service provision (e.g., uniform Township-wide property tax rates, etc.).

Based on the foregoing and discussions with staff, the municipal practice of providing and funding services on a Township-wide basis is proposed to be maintained.

7.4 Other D.C. By-law Provisions

It is recommended that:

7.4.1 Categories of Services for Reserve Fund and Credit Purposes

It is recommended that the Township's D.C. collections be contributed into three (3) separate reserve funds, including:

- Services Related to a Highway;
- Fire Protection Services; and
- Parks and Recreation Services.

7.4.2 By-law In-force Date

The by-law will come into force on June 13, 2024.

7.4.3 Minimum Interest Rate Paid on Refunds and Charged for Inter-Reserve Fund Borrowing

The minimum interest rate is the Bank of Canada rate on the day on which the by-laws come into force (as per s.11 of O. Reg. 82/98).



7.5 Other Recommendations

It is recommended that Council:

“Adopt the D.C. approach to calculate the charges on a uniform Township-wide basis for all services within this background study.”

“Approve the capital project listing set out in Chapter 5 of the D.C. Background Study dated April 5, 2024, subject to further annual review during the capital budget process.”

“Approve the D.C.s Background Study dated April 5, 2024.”

“Determine that no further public meeting is required.” and

“Approve the D.C. By-laws as set out in Appendix F”.



Chapter 8

Asset Management Plan



8. Asset Management Plan

8.1 Introduction

The D.C.A. (new section 10(c.2)) requires that the background study must include an Asset Management Plan (A.M.P) related to new infrastructure. Section 10 (3) of the D.C.A. provides:

The A.M.P. shall,

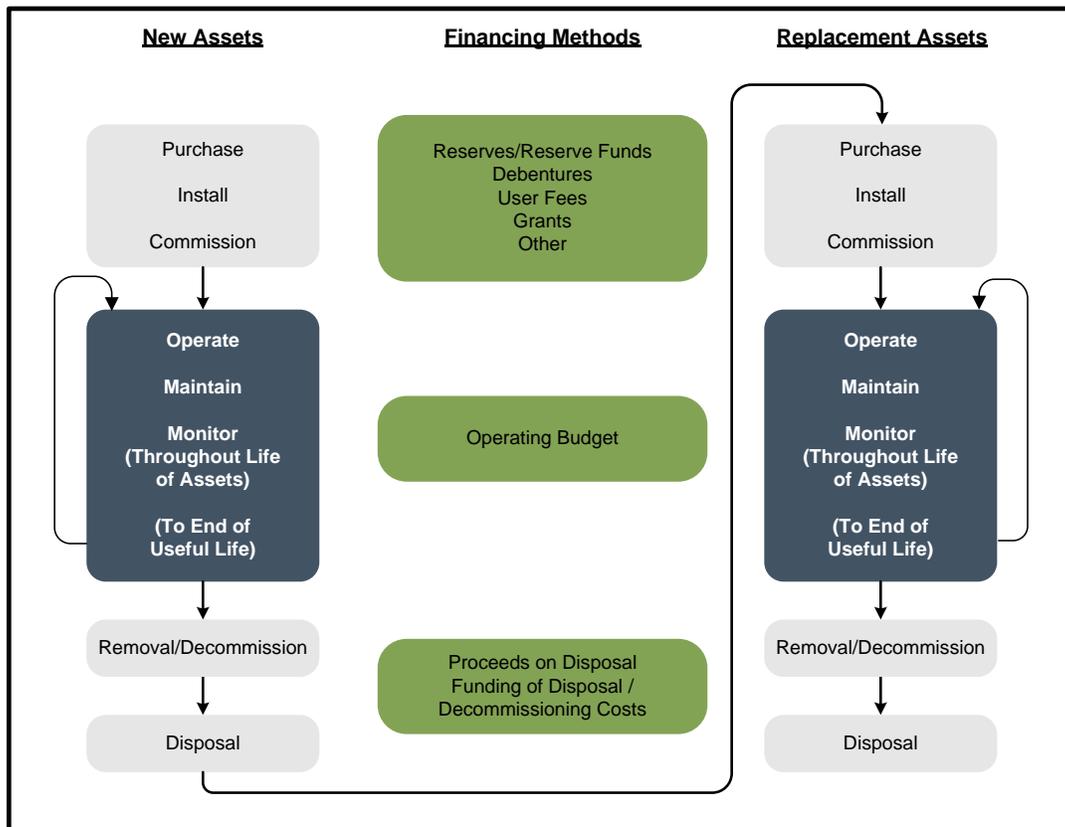
- a) deal with all assets whose capital costs are proposed to be funded under the development charge by-law;**
- b) demonstrate that all the assets mentioned in clause (a) are financially sustainable over their full life cycle;**
- c) contain any other information that is prescribed; and**
- d) be prepared in the prescribed manner.**

At a broad level, the A.M.P. provides for the long-term investment in an asset over its entire useful life along with the funding. The schematic below identifies the costs for an asset through its entire lifecycle. For growth-related works, the majority of capital costs will be funded by the D.C. Non-growth-related expenditures will then be funded from non-D.C. revenues as noted below. During the useful life of the asset, there will be minor maintenance costs to extend the life of the asset along with additional program related expenditures to provide the full services to the residents. At the end of the life of the asset, it will be replaced by non-D.C. financing sources.

In 2012, the Province developed Building Together: Guide for Municipal Asset Management Plans which outlines the key elements for an A.M.P., as follows:

State of local infrastructure: asset types, quantities, age, condition, financial accounting valuation and replacement cost valuation.

Desired levels of service: defines levels of service through performance measures and discusses any external trends or issues that may affect expected levels of service or the municipality's ability to meet them (for example, new accessibility standards, climate change impacts).



Asset management strategy: the asset management strategy is the set of planned actions that will seek to generate the desired levels of service in a sustainable way, while managing risk, at the lowest lifecycle cost.

Financing strategy: having a financial plan is critical for putting an A.M.P. into action. By having a strong financial plan, municipalities can also demonstrate that they have made a concerted effort to integrate the A.M.P. with financial planning and municipal budgeting and are making full use of all available infrastructure financing tools.

The above provides for the general approach to be considered by Ontario municipalities. At this time, there is not a mandated approach for municipalities hence leaving discretion to individual municipalities as to how they plan for the long-term replacement of their assets. The asset management requirement for this D.C. Background Study has been undertaken independently of any the Township's A.M.P.s.



8.2 Asset Management Plan

In recognition to the schematic in Section 8.1, the following table (presented in 2024\$) has been developed to provide the annualized expenditures and revenues associated with new growth. Note that the D.C.A. does not require an analysis of the non-D.C. capital needs or their associated operating costs so these are omitted from the table below. Furthermore, as only the present infrastructure gap has been considered at this time within the A.M.P., the following does not represent a fiscal impact assessment (including future tax/rate increases) but provides insight into the potential affordability of the new assets:

1. The non-D.C. recoverable portion of the projects which will require financing from Township financial resources (i.e., taxation, rates, fees, etc.). This amount has been presented on an annual debt charge amount based on 20-year financing.
2. Lifecycle costs for the 2024 D.C. capital works have been presented based on a sinking fund basis. The assets have been considered over their estimated useful lives.
3. Incremental operating costs for the D.C. services (only) have been included.
4. The resultant total annualized expenditures are \$2.4 million. Of this total, \$1.7 million relates the annual debt payment costs for benefit to existing development of growth-related needs.
5. Consideration was given to the potential new taxation and user fee revenues which will be generated as a result of new growth. These revenues will be available to finance the expenditures above. The new operating revenues are \$782,000. This amount, totalled with the existing operating revenues of \$10.3 million, provides annual revenues of \$11.0 million by the end of the period.
6. In consideration of the above, the capital plan is deemed to be financially sustainable.



Table 8-1
Asset Management – Future Expenditures and Associated Revenues (2024\$)

	2024 (Total)
Expenditures (Annualized)	
Annual Debt Payment on Non-Growth Related Capital ¹	\$1,717,033
Annual Debt Payment on Post Period Capital ²	\$17,976
Lifecycle:	
Annual Lifecycle - Municipal-wide Services	\$306,387
Incremental Operating Costs (for D.C. Services)	\$393,726
Total Expenditures	\$2,435,121
Revenue (Annualized)	
Total Existing Revenue ³	\$10,229,344
Incremental Tax and Non-Tax Revenue (User Fees, Fines, Licences, etc.)	\$781,557
Total Revenues	\$11,010,901

¹ Non-Growth Related component of Projects

² Interim Debt Financing for Post Period Benefit

³ As per Sch. 10 of FIR



Chapter 9

By-law Implementation



9. By-law Implementation

9.1 Public Consultation Process

9.1.1 Introduction

This chapter addresses the mandatory, formal public consultation process (section 9.1.2), as well as the optional, informal consultation process (section 9.1.3). The latter is designed to seek the co-operation and participation of those involved, in order to produce the most suitable policy. Section 9.2 addresses the anticipated impact of the D.C. on development from a generic viewpoint.

9.1.2 Public Meeting of Council

Section 12 of the D.C.A. indicates that before passing a D.C. by-law, Council must hold at least one public meeting, giving at least 20 clear days' notice thereof, in accordance with the Regulation. Council must also ensure that the proposed by-law and background report are made available to the public at least two weeks prior to the (first) meeting.

Any person who attends such a meeting may make representations related to the proposed by-law.

If a proposed by-law is changed following such a meeting, Council must determine whether a further meeting (under this section) is necessary (i.e., if the proposed by-law which is proposed for adoption has been changed in any respect, Council should formally consider whether an additional public meeting is required, incorporating this determination as part of the final by-law or associated resolution. It is noted that Council's decision, once made, is final and not subject to review by a Court or the Ontario Land Tribunal (O.L.T.).

9.1.3 Other Consultation Activity

There are three broad groupings of the public who are generally the most concerned with municipal D.C. policy:

1. The first grouping is the residential development community, consisting of land developers and builders, who are typically responsible for generating the majority



of the D.C. revenues. Others, such as realtors, are directly impacted by D.C. policy. They are, therefore, potentially interested in all aspects of the charge, particularly the quantum by unit type, projects to be funded by the D.C. and the timing thereof, and municipal policy with respect to development agreements, D.C. credits and front-ending requirements.

2. The second public grouping embraces the public at large and includes taxpayer coalition groups and others interested in public policy.
3. The third grouping is the industrial/commercial/institutional/primary development sector, consisting of land developers and major owners or organizations with significant construction plans, such as hotels, entertainment complexes, shopping centres, offices, industrial buildings, institutional buildings, and buildings on agricultural lands. Also involved are organizations such as Industry Associations, the Chamber of Commerce, the Board of Trade and the Economic Development Agencies, who are all potentially interested in Township D.C. policy. Their primary concern is frequently with the quantum of the charge, gross floor area exclusions such as basements, mechanical or indoor parking areas, or exemptions and phase-in or capping provisions in order to moderate the impact.

9.2 Anticipated Impact of the Charge on Development

The establishment of sound D.C. policy often requires the achievement of an acceptable balance between two competing realities. The first is that high non-residential D.C.s can, to some degree, represent a barrier to increased economic activity and sustained industrial/commercial growth, particularly for capital intensive uses. Also, in many cases, increased residential D.C.s can ultimately be expected to be recovered via housing prices and can impact project feasibility in some cases (e.g., rental apartments).

On the other hand, D.C.s or other municipal capital funding sources need to be obtained in order to help ensure that the necessary infrastructure and amenities are installed. The timely installation of such works is a key initiative in providing adequate service levels and in facilitating strong economic growth, investment, and wealth generation.



9.3 Implementation Requirements

9.3.1 Introduction

Once the Township has calculated the charge, prepared the complete background study, carried out the public process and passed a new by-law, the emphasis shifts to implementation matters. These include notices, potential appeals and complaints, credits, front-ending agreements, subdivision agreement conditions and finally the collection of revenues and funding of projects.

The sections that follow present an overview of the requirements in each case.

9.3.2 Notice of Passage

In accordance with section 13 of the D.C.A., when a D.C. by-law is passed, the Township's Clerk shall give written notice of the passing and of the last day for appealing the by-law (the day that is 40 days after the day it was passed). Such notice must be given no later than 20 days after the day the by-law is passed (i.e., as of the day of newspaper publication or the mailing of the notice).

Section 10 of O. Reg. 82/98 further defines the notice requirements which are summarized as follows:

- notice may be given by publication in a newspaper which is (in the Clerk's opinion) of sufficient circulation to give the public reasonable notice, or by personal service, fax, or mail to every owner of land in the area to which the by-law relates;
- subsection 10 (4) lists the persons/organizations who must be given notice; and
- subsection 10 (5) lists the eight items that the notice must cover.

9.3.3 By-law Pamphlet

In addition to the “notice” information, the Township must prepare a “pamphlet” explaining each D.C. by-law in force, setting out:

- a description of the general purpose of the D.C.s;



- the "rules" for determining if a charge is payable in a particular case and for determining the amount of the charge;
- the services to which the D.C.s relate; and
- a description of the general purpose of the Treasurer's statement and where it may be received by the public.

Where a by-law is not appealed to the O.L.T., the pamphlet must be readied within 60 days after the by-law comes into force. Later dates apply to appealed by-laws.

The Township must give one copy of the most recent pamphlet without charge, to any person who requests one.

9.3.4 Appeals

Sections 13 to 19 of the D.C.A. set out the requirements relative to making and processing a D.C. by-law appeal and O.L.T. hearing in response to an appeal. Any person or organization may appeal a D.C. by-law to the O.L.T. by filing a notice of appeal with the Township Clerk, setting out the objection to the by-law and the reasons supporting the objection. This must be done by the last day for appealing the by-law, which is 40 days after the by-law is passed.

The Township is conducting a public consultation process in order to address the issues that come forward as part of that process, thereby avoiding or reducing the need for an appeal to be made.

9.3.5 Complaints

A person required to pay a D.C., or his agent, may complain to the Township Council imposing the charge that:

- the amount of the charge was incorrectly determined;
- the reduction to be used against the D.C. was incorrectly determined; or
- there was an error in the application of the D.C.

Sections 20 to 25 of the D.C.A. set out the requirements that exist, including the fact that a complaint may not be made later than 90 days after a D.C. (or any part of it) is payable. A complainant may appeal the decision of Township Council to the O.L.T.



9.3.6 Credits

Sections 38 to 41 of the D.C.A. set out a number of credit requirements, which apply where a municipality agrees to allow a person to perform work in the future that relates to a service in the D.C. by-law.

These credits would be used to reduce the amount of D.C.s to be paid. The value of the credit is limited to the reasonable cost of the work which does not exceed the average level of service. The credit applies only to the service to which the work relates unless the municipality agrees to expand the credit to other services for which a D.C. is payable.

9.3.7 Front-Ending Agreements

The Township and one or more landowners may enter into a front-ending agreement that provides for the costs of a project that will benefit an area in the Township to which the D.C. by-law applies. Such an agreement can provide for the costs to be borne by one or more parties to the agreement who are, in turn, reimbursed in future by persons who develop land defined in the agreement.

Part III of the D.C.A. (sections 44 to 58) addresses front-ending agreements and removes some of the obstacles to their use which were contained in the Development Charges Act, 1989. Accordingly, the Township assesses whether this mechanism is appropriate for its use, as part of funding projects prior to Township funds being available.

9.3.8 Severance and Subdivision Agreement Conditions

Section 59 of the D.C.A. prevents a municipality from imposing directly or indirectly, a charge related to development or a requirement to construct a service related to development, by way of a condition or agreement under section 51 or section 53 of the Planning Act, except for:

- "local services, related to a plan of subdivision or within the area to which the plan relates, to be installed or paid for by the owner as a condition of approval under section 51 of the Planning Act;" and
- "local services to be installed or paid for by the owner as a condition of approval under section 53 of the Planning Act."



It is also noted that subsection 59 (4) of the D.C.A. requires that the municipal approval authority for a draft plan of subdivision under subsection 51 (31) of the Planning Act, use its power to impose conditions to ensure that the first purchaser of newly subdivided land is informed of all the D.C.s related to the development, at the time the land is transferred.

In this regard, if the municipality in question is a commenting agency, in order to comply with subsection 59 (4) of the D.C.A. it would need to provide to the approval authority information regarding the applicable municipal D.C.s related to the site.

If the Township is an approval authority for the purposes of section 51 of the Planning Act, it would be responsible to ensure that it collects information from all entities that can impose a D.C.

The most effective way to ensure that purchasers are aware of this condition would be to require it as a provision in a registered subdivision agreement, so that any purchaser of the property would be aware of the charges at the time the title was searched prior to closing a transaction conveying the lands.



Appendices



Appendix A

Background Information on Residential and Non- Residential Growth Forecast



Schedule 1 Township of Blandford-Blenheim Residential Growth Forecast Summary

Year	Population (Including Census Undercount) ^[1]	Excluding Census Undercount			Housing Units						Person Per Unit (P.P.U.): Total Population/ Total Households	
		Population	Institutional Population	Population Excluding Institutional Population	Singles & Semi-Detached	Multiple Dwellings ^[2]	Apartments ^[3]	Other	Total Households	Equivalent Institutional Households		
Historical	Mid 2011	7,570	7,359	54	7,305	2,472	52	76	16	2,616	49	2.813
	Mid 2016	7,610	7,399	34	7,365	2,515	35	110	60	2,720	31	2.720
	Mid 2021	7,780	7,565	15	7,550	2,575	30	120	50	2,775	14	2.726
Forecast	Mid 2024	7,980	7,754	16	7,738	2,609	53	150	50	2,862	15	2.709
	Mid 2034	9,140	8,882	33	8,849	2,942	121	194	50	3,307	30	2.686
Incremental	Mid 2011 - Mid 2016	40	40	-20	60	43	-17	34	44	104	-18	
	Mid 2016 - Mid 2021	170	166	-19	185	60	-5	10	-10	55	-17	
	Mid 2021 - Mid 2024	200	189	1	188	34	23	30	0	87	1	
	Mid 2024 - Mid 2034	1,160	1,128	17	1,111	333	68	44	0	445	15	

[1] Population includes the Census undercount estimated at approximately 2.9% and has been rounded.

[2] Includes townhouses and apartments in duplexes.

[3] Includes bachelor, 1-bedroom, and 2-bedroom+ apartment units.

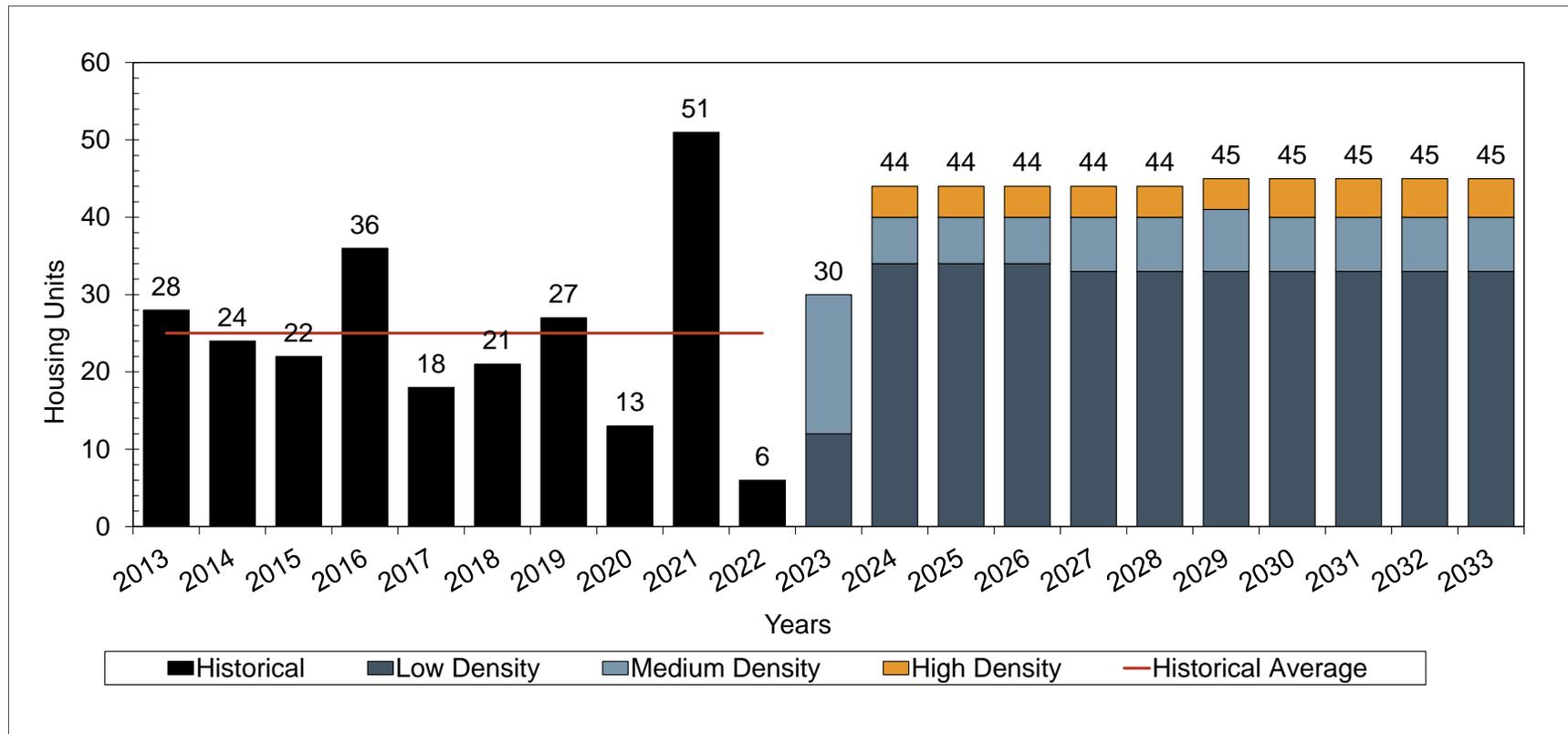
Notes:

Numbers may not add due to rounding.

Source: Watson & Associates Economists Ltd.



Figure 1
Township of Blandford-Blenheim
Annual Housing Forecast ^[1]



^[1] Growth forecast represents calendar year.

Source: Historical housing activity derived from Township of Blandford-Blenheim building permit data, 2013 to 2022, and 2023 estimated based on June-2023 year-to-date building permit data by Watson & Associates Economists Ltd.



Schedule 2
Township of Blandford-Blenheim
Estimate of the Anticipated Amount, Type and Location of
Residential Development for Which Development Charges can be Imposed

Development Location	Timing	Single & Semi-Detached	Multiples ^[1]	Apartments ^[2]	Total Residential Units	Gross Population In New Units	Existing Unit Population Change	Net Population Increase, Excluding Institutional	Institutional Population	Net Population Including Institutional
Urban Serviced Area (Village of Plattsville)	2024 - 2034	138	31	21	190	533	-36	497	8	505
Urban Serviced Area (Village of Drumbo)	2024 - 2034	165	37	23	225	633	-20	613	9	622
Unserviced Urban Settlement Area and Remaining Rural Areas	2024 - 2034	30	0	0	30	95	-94	1	0	1
Township of Blandford-Blenheim	2024 - 2034	333	68	44	445	1,261	-150	1,111	17	1,128

^[1] Includes townhouses and apartments in duplexes.

^[2] Includes bachelor, 1-bedroom, and 2-bedroom+ apartment units.

Note: Numbers may not add to totals due to rounding.

Source: Watson & Associates Economists Ltd.



Schedule 3
Township of Blandford-Blenheim
Current Year Growth Forecast
Mid-2021 to Mid-2024

		Population
Mid 2021 Population		7,565
Occupants of New Housing Units, Mid 2021 to Mid 2024	<i>Units (2)</i>	87
	<i>multiplied by P.P.U. (3)</i>	2,340
	<i>gross population increase</i>	204
Occupants of New Equivalent Institutional Units, Mid 2021 to Mid 2024	<i>Units</i>	1
	<i>multiplied by P.P.U. (3)</i>	1,100
	<i>gross population increase</i>	1
Decline in Housing Unit Occupancy, Mid 2021 to Mid 2024	<i>Units (4)</i>	2,775
	<i>multiplied by P.P.U. decline rate (5)</i>	-0.006
	<i>total decline in population</i>	-16
Population Estimate to Mid 2024		7,754
Net Population Increase, Mid 2021 to Mid 2024		189

- (1) 2021 population based on Statistics Canada Census unadjusted for Census undercount.
- (2) Estimated residential units constructed, Mid-2021 to the beginning of the growth period assuming a six-month lag between construction and occupancy.
- (3) Average number of persons per unit (P.P.U.) is assumed to be:

Structural Type	Persons Per Unit ¹ (P.P.U.)	% Distribution of Estimated Units ²	Weighted Persons Per Unit Average
<i>Singles & Semi Detached</i>	2.848	39%	1.113
<i>Multiples (6)</i>	2.570	26%	0.680
<i>Apartments (7)</i>	1.588	34%	0.547
Total		100%	2.340

¹ Based on 2021 Census custom database

² Based on Building permit/completion activity

- (4) 2021 households taken from Statistics Canada Census.
- (5) Decline occurs due to aging of the population and family life cycle changes, lower fertility rates and changing economic conditions.
- (6) Includes townhouses and apartments in duplexes.
- (7) Includes bachelor, 1-bedroom and 2-bedroom+ apartments.
- Note: Numbers may not add to totals due to rounding.



**Schedule 4
Township of Blandford-Blenheim
10-Year Growth Forecast
Mid-2024 to Mid-2034**

		Population
Mid 2024 Population		7,754
Occupants of New Housing Units, Mid 2024 to Mid 2034	<i>Units (2)</i>	445
	<i>multiplied by P.P.U. (3)</i>	2,837
	<i>gross population increase</i>	1,261
Occupants of New Equivalent Institutional Units, Mid 2024 to Mid 2034	<i>Units</i>	15
	<i>multiplied by P.P.U. (3)</i>	1,100
	<i>gross population increase</i>	17
Decline in Housing Unit Occupancy, Mid 2024 to Mid 2034	<i>Units (4)</i>	2,862
	<i>multiplied by P.P.U. decline rate (5)</i>	-0.052
	<i>total decline in population</i>	-150
Population Estimate to Mid 2034		8,882
<i>Net Population Increase, Mid 2024 to Mid 2034</i>		1,128

(1) Mid 2024 Population based on:

2021 Population (7,565) + Mid 2021 to Mid 2024 estimated housing units to beginning of forecast period (87 x 2.340 = 204) + (1 x 1,100 = 1) + (2,775 x -0.006 = -16) = 7,754

(2) Based upon forecast building permits/completions assuming a lag between construction and occupancy.

(3) Average number of persons per unit (P.P.U.) is assumed to be:

Structural Type	Persons Per Unit ¹ (P.P.U.)	% Distribution of Estimated Units ²	Weighted Persons Per Unit Average
<i>Singles & Semi Detached</i>	3.155	75%	2.363
<i>Multiples (6)</i>	2.179	15%	0.331
<i>Apartments (7)</i>	1.439	10%	0.142
<i>one bedroom or less</i>	1.108		
<i>two bedrooms or more</i>	1.745		
Total		100%	2.837

¹ Persons per unit based on adjusted Statistics Canada Custom 2021 Census database.

² Forecast unit mix based upon historical trends and housing units in the development process.

(4) Mid 2024 households based upon 2021 Census (2,775 units) + Mid 2021 to Mid 2024 unit estimate (87) = 2,862 Units.

(5) Decline occurs due to aging of the population and family life cycle changes, lower fertility rates and changing economic conditions.

(6) Includes townhouses and apartments in duplexes.

(7) Includes bachelor, 1-bedroom and 2-bedroom+ apartments.

Note: Numbers may not add to totals due to rounding.



Schedule 5
Township of Blandford-Blenheim
Historical Residential Building Permits
Years 2013 to 2022

Year	Residential Building Permits			
	Singles & Semi Detached	Multiples ^[1]	Apartments ^[2]	Total
2013	28	0	0	28
2014	24	0	0	24
2015	22	0	0	22
2016	36	0	0	36
2017	18	0	0	18
Sub-total	128	0	0	128
Average (2013 - 2017)	26	0	0	26
% Breakdown	100.0%	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%
2018	11	10	0	21
2019	24	3	0	27
2020	13	0	0	13
2021	16	5	30	51
2022	6	0	0	6
Sub-total	70	18	30	118
Average (2018 - 2022)	14	4	6	24
% Breakdown	59.3%	15.3%	25.4%	100.0%
2013 - 2022				
Total	198	18	30	246
Average	20	2	3	25
% Breakdown	80.5%	7.3%	12.2%	100.0%

[1] Includes townhouses and apartments in duplexes.

[2] Includes bachelor, 1-bedroom, and 2-bedroom+ apartment units.

Source: Historical housing activity derived from Township of Blandford-Blenheim data, by Watson & Associates Economists Ltd 2024.



Schedule 6a
Township of Blandford-Blenheim
Person Per Unit by Age and Type of Dwelling
(2021 Census)

Age of Dwelling	Singles and Semi-Detached					Total	15 Year Average	15 Year Average Adjusted ^[3]
	< 1 BR	1 BR	2 BR	3/4 BR	5+ BR			
1-5	-	-	-	3.294	-	2.870		
6-10	-	-	-	3.042	-	2.912		
11-15	-	-	-	2.950	-	3.519	3.100	3.155
16-20	-	-	-	3.556	-	3.455		
20-25	-	-	-	3.200	-	3.333		
25-35	-	-	-	2.640	-	2.690		
35+	-	-	1.831	2.767	3.667	2.656		
Total	-	-	1.901	2.864	3.979	2.791		

Age of Dwelling	Multiples ^[1]					Total	15 Year Average	15 Year Average Adjusted ^[3]
	< 1 BR	1 BR	2 BR	3/4 BR	5+ BR			
1-5	-	-	-	-	-	-		
6-10	-	-	-	-	-	-		
11-15	-	-	-	-	-	-		2.179
16-20	-	-	-	-	-	-		
20-25	-	-	-	-	-	-		
25-35	-	-	-	-	-	-		
35+	-	-	-	-	-	-		
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-		

Age of Dwelling	Apartments ^[2]					Total	15 Year Average	15 Year Average Adjusted ^[3]
	< 1 BR	1 BR	2 BR	3/4 BR	5+ BR			
1-5	-	-	-	-	-	-		
6-10	-	-	-	-	-	-		
11-15	-	-	-	-	-	-		1.439
16-20	-	-	-	-	-	-		
20-25	-	-	-	-	-	-		
25-35	-	-	-	-	-	-		
35+	-	-	-	-	-	1.364		
Total	-	-	-	-	-	1.455		

Age of Dwelling	All Density Types					Total
	< 1 BR	1 BR	2 BR	3/4 BR	5+ BR	
1-5	-	-	-	3.294	-	2.913
6-10	-	-	-	3.042	-	2.941
11-15	-	-	-	2.950	-	3.429
16-20	-	-	-	3.556	-	3.455
20-25	-	-	-	3.200	-	3.273
25-35	-	-	-	2.720	-	2.688
35+	-	1.292	1.827	2.762	3.828	2.584
Total	-	1.308	1.871	2.865	4.061	2.731

[1] Includes townhomes and apartments in duplexes.

[2] Includes bachelor, 1 bedroom and 2 bedroom+ apartments

[3] Adjusted based on historical trends.

Note: Does not include Statistics Canada data classified as "Other."

P.P.U. Not calculated for samples less than or equal to 50 dwelling units and does not include institutional population.



Schedule 6b
County of Oxford
Person Per Unit by Age and Type of Dwelling
(2021 Census)

Age of Dwelling	Singles and Semi-Detached						15 Year Average	15 Year Average Adjusted ^[3]
	< 1 BR	1 BR	2 BR	3/4 BR	5+ BR	Total		
1-5	-	-	2,078	3,149	4,511	3,103		
6-10	-	-	1,932	3,112	4,729	3,092		
11-15	-	-	1,833	3,083	4,680	3,147	3.114	3.120
16-20	-	-	1,878	3,047	4,452	2,992		
20-25	-	-	1,711	2,872	4,115	2,773		
25-35	-	-	1,886	2,748	4,625	2,747		
35+	-	1,433	1,885	2,648	4,139	2,597		
Total	0.714	1.504	1.891	2.779	4.304	2.734		

Age of Dwelling	Multiples ^[1]						15 Year Average	15 Year Average Adjusted ^[3]
	< 1 BR	1 BR	2 BR	3/4 BR	5+ BR	Total		
1-5	-	-	1,960	3,106	-	2,615		
6-10	-	-	-	2,900	-	2,524		
11-15	-	-	1,783	2,150	-	1,816	2.319	2.209
16-20	-	-	2,095	2,450	-	2,250		
20-25	-	-	1,545	2,591	-	2,109		
25-35	-	-	2,357	2,641	-	2,446		
35+	-	1,326	1,993	2,605	-	2,278		
Total	0.348	1.458	1.953	2.672	-	2.307		

Age of Dwelling	Apartments ^[2]						15 Year Average	15 Year Average Adjusted ^[3]
	< 1 BR	1 BR	2 BR	3/4 BR	5+ BR	Total		
1-5	-	1,275	1,732	2,842	-	1,655		
6-10	-	1,250	1,563	-	-	1,373		
11-15	-	1,269	1,574	-	-	1,514	1.514	1.465
16-20	-	1,222	1,471	-	-	1,385		
20-25	-	1,308	1,700	-	-	1,516		
25-35	-	1,147	1,585	-	-	1,467		
35+	-	1,178	1,639	2,617	-	1,476		
Total	0.600	1.198	1.627	2.711	-	1.487		

Age of Dwelling	All Density Types					
	< 1 BR	1 BR	2 BR	3/4 BR	5+ BR	Total
1-5	-	1,353	1,945	3,127	4,333	2,834
6-10	-	1,351	1,816	3,049	4,729	2,888
11-15	-	1,333	1,735	3,006	4,558	2,798
16-20	-	1,240	1,782	3,017	4,344	2,716
20-25	-	1,371	1,683	2,812	4,077	2,531
25-35	-	1,222	1,781	2,716	4,708	2,454
35+	1,615	1,219	1,819	2,643	4,071	2,402
Total	1.667	1.246	1.812	2.762	4.232	2.512

[1] Includes townhomes and apartments in duplexes.

[2] Includes bachelor, 1 bedroom and 2 bedroom+ apartments

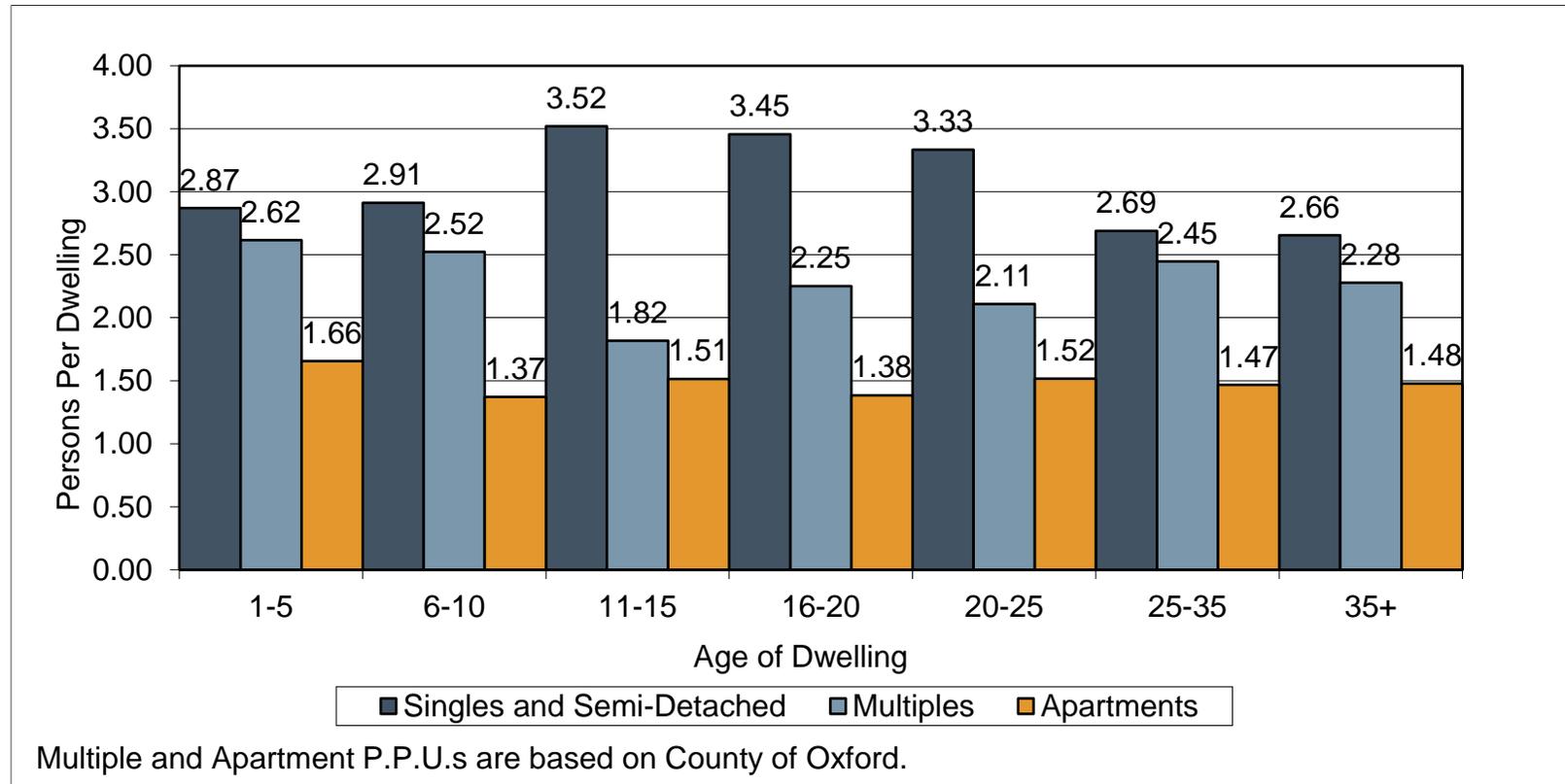
[3] Adjusted based on historical trends.

Note: Does not include Statistics Canada data classified as "Other."

P.P.U. Not calculated for samples less than or equal to 50 dwelling units and does not include institutional population.



Schedule 7
Township of Blandford-Blenheim
Person Per Unit Structural Type and Age of Dwelling
(2021 Census)





Schedule 8a Township of Blandford-Blenheim Employment Forecast, 2024 to 2034

Period	Population	Activity Rate								Employment								Employment Total (Excluding Work at Home and N.F.P.O.W.)
		Primary	Work at Home	Industrial	Commercial/ Population Related	Institutional	Total	N.F.P.O.W. ^[1]	Total Including N.F.P.O.W.	Primary	Work at Home	Industrial	Commercial/ Population Related	Institutional	Total	N.F.P.O.W. ^[1]	Total Employment (Including N.F.P.O.W.)	
Mid 2011	7,359	0.033	0.070	0.111	0.053	0.016	0.283	0.038	0.322	245	515	818	393	115	2,085	283	2,368	1,570
Mid 2016	7,399	0.018	0.074	0.060	0.055	0.014	0.222	0.028	0.249	135	550	445	405	105	1,640	205	1,845	1,090
Mid 2024	7,754	0.017	0.081	0.049	0.047	0.014	0.209	0.032	0.241	135	630	384	365	110	1,624	245	1,869	994
Mid 2034	8,882	0.015	0.079	0.058	0.046	0.015	0.213	0.032	0.245	135	706	513	411	129	1,894	281	2,175	1,188
Incremental Change																		
Mid 2011 - Mid 2016	40	-0.015	0.004	-0.051	0.001	-0.001	-0.062	-0.011	-0.072	-110	35	-373	13	-10	-445	-78	-523	-480
Mid 2016 - Mid 2024	355	-0.001	0.007	-0.011	-0.008	0.000	-0.012	0.004	-0.008	0	80	-61	-40	5	-16	40	24	-96
Mid 2024 - Mid 2034	1,128	-0.002	-0.002	0.008	-0.001	0.000	0.004	0.000	0.004	0	76	129	46	19	269	36	305	193
Annual Average																		
Mid 2011 - Mid 2016	8	-0.003	0.001	-0.010	0.000	0.000	-0.012	-0.002	-0.014	-22	7	-75	3	-2	-89	-16	-105	-96
Mid 2016 - Mid 2024	44	0.000	0.001	-0.001	-0.001	0.000	-0.002	0.000	-0.001	0	10	-8	-5	1	-2	5	3	-12
Mid 2024 - Mid 2034	113	0.000	0.000	0.001	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0	8	13	5	2	27	4	31	19

^[1] Statistics Canada defines no fixed place of work (N.F.P.O.W.) employees as "persons who do not go from home to the same workplace location at the beginning of each shift. Such persons include building and landscape contractors, travelling salespersons, independent truck drivers, etc."

Note: Statistics Canada 2021 Census place of work employment data has been reviewed. The 2021 Census employment results have not been utilized due to a significant increase in work at home employment captured due to Census enumeration occurring during the provincial COVID-19 lockdown from April 1, 2021 to June 14, 2021.

Source: Watson & Associates Economists Ltd.



Schedule 8b
Township of Blandford-Blenheim
Employment and Gross Floor Area (G.F.A.) Forecast, 2024 to 2034

Period	Population	Employment					Gross Floor Area in Square Feet (Estimated) ^[1]				
		Primary	Industrial	Commercial/ Population Related	Institutional ^[2]	Total	Industrial	Commercial/ Population Related	Institutional ^[2]	Total	
Mid 2011	7,359	245	818	393	115	1,570					
Mid 2016	7,399	135	445	405	105	1,090					
Mid 2024	7,754	135	384	365	110	994					
Mid 2034	8,882	135	513	411	121	1,180					
Incremental Change											
Mid 2011 - Mid 2016	40	-110	-373	13	-10	-480					
Mid 2016 - Mid 2024	355	0	-61	-40	5	-96					
Mid 2024 - Mid 2034	1,128	0	129	46	11	185	1,052,200	23,900	7,400	1,083,500	
Annual Average											
Mid 2011 - Mid 2016	8	-22	-75	3	-2	-96					
Mid 2016 - Mid 2024	44	0	-8	-5	1	-12					
Mid 2024 - Mid 2034	113	0	13	5	1	19	105,220	2,390	740	108,350	

^[1] Square Foot Per Employee Assumptions

Industrial	8,157
Urban Serviced Area	1,800
Unserviced Urban Settlement Area and Remaining Rural Areas	10,000
Commercial/Population-Related	525
Institutional	680

^[2] Forecast institutional employment and gross floor area has been adjusted downward to account for employment associated with special care units.

*Reflects Mid-2024 to Mid-2034 forecast period.

Note: Numbers may not add up precisely due to rounding. Oxford County square foot per employee assumption based on specific averages for each area municipality for the County. Numbers may not add to totals due to rounding.

Source: Watson & Associates Economists Ltd.



Schedule 8c
Township of Blandford-Blenheim
Estimate of the Anticipated Amount, Type and Location of
Non-Residential Development for Which Development Charges Can Be Imposed

Development Location	Timing	Industrial	Commercial	Institutional	Total Non-Residential	Employment Increase ^[3]
		G.F.A. S.F. ^[1]	G.F.A. S.F. ^[1]	G.F.A. S.F. ^{[1],[2]}	G.F.A. S.F.	
Urban Serviced Area (Village of Plattsville)	2024 - 2034	-	12,600	5,400	18,000	32
Urban Serviced Area (Village of Drumbo)	2024 - 2034	52,200	5,300	-	57,500	39
Unserviced Urban Settlement Area and Remaining Rural Areas ^[4]	2024 - 2034	1,000,000	6,100	2,000	1,008,100	114
Township of Blandford-Blenheim	2024 - 2034	1,052,200	23,900	7,400	1,083,500	185

^[1] Square Foot Per Employee Assumptions

Industrial	8,157
Urban Serviced Area	1,800
Unserviced Urban Settlement Area and Remaining Rural Areas	10,000
Commercial/Population-Related	525
Institutional	680

^[2] Forecast institutional employment and gross floor area has been adjusted downward to account for employment associated with special care units.

^[3] Employment Increase does not include No Fixed Place of Work.

^[4] Industrial growth in this category also includes unserviced developments that may be within an urban area (i.e. Drumbo Interchange).

*Reflects Mid-2024 to Mid-2034 forecast period.

Note: Oxford County square foot per employee assumption based on specific averages for each area municipality for the County. Numbers may not add to totals due to rounding.

Source: Watson & Associates Economists Ltd.



Appendix B

Level of Service



**Table B-1
Service Standard Calculation – Services Related to a Highway – Roads**

**Blandford-Blenheim
Service Standard Calculation Sheet**

Service: Services Related to a Highway - Roads
Unit Measure: km of roadways

Description	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024 Value (\$/km)
Gravel	228	228	228	228	228	228	228	228	228	228	228	222	222	222	222	\$117,830
Paved	109	109	110	110	110	110	110	110	110	110	110	116	116	116	116	\$429,310
Total	337	337	338													

Population	7,350	7,350	7,359	7,386	7,359	7,342	7,387	7,399	7,352	7,195	7,222	7,363	7,565	7,933	8,110
Per Capita Standard	0.0458	0.0459	0.0459	0.0457	0.0459	0.0460	0.0457	0.0457	0.0459	0.0469	0.0468	0.0459	0.0447	0.0426	0.0417

15 Year Average	2009-2023
Quantity Standard	0.0454
Quality Standard	\$220,411
Service Standard	\$10,007

D.C. Amount (before deductions)	10 Year
Forecast Population	1,128
\$ per Capita	\$10,007
Eligible Amount	\$11,287,524



Table B-2
Service Standard Calculation – Services Related to a Highway – Bridges and Culverts

Blandford-Blenheim
Service Standard Calculation Sheet

Service: Services Related to a Highway - Bridges, Culverts & Structures
 Unit Measure: Number of Bridges, Culverts & Structures

Description	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024 Value (\$/item)
Bridges	42	42	42	42	42	42	42	42	42	42	42	42	42	42	42	\$2,028,249
Culverts	32	32	32	32	32	32	32	32	32	32	32	32	32	32	32	\$401,194
Total	74															

Population	7,350	7,350	7,359	7,386	7,359	7,342	7,387	7,399	7,352	7,195	7,222	7,363	7,565	7,933	8,110
Per Capita Standard	0.0101	0.0101	0.0101	0.0100	0.0101	0.0101	0.0100	0.0100	0.0101	0.0103	0.0102	0.0101	0.0098	0.0093	0.0091

15 Year Average	2009-2023
Quantity Standard	0.0100
Quality Standard	\$1,318,000
Service Standard	\$13,180

D.C. Amount (before deductions)	10 Year
Forecast Population	1,128
\$ per Capita	\$13,180
Eligible Amount	\$14,867,040



Table B-3
Service Standard Calculation – Services Related to a Highway – Sidewalks and Active Transportation

Blandford-Blenheim
Service Standard Calculation Sheet

Service: Services Related to a Highway - Sidewalks and Active Transportation
 Unit Measure: km of sidewalks and active transportation

Description	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024 Value (\$/km)
Sidewalks	1.98	1.98	1.98	2.08	2.08	2.08	2.08	2.17	2.17	2.42	2.42	2.42	2.42	2.42	2.42	\$135,000
Total	1.98	1.98	1.98	2.08	2.08	2.08	2.08	2.17	2.17	2.42	2.42	2.42	2.42	2.42	2.42	

Population	7,350	7,350	7,359	7,386	7,359	7,342	7,387	7,399	7,352	7,195	7,222	7,363	7,565	7,933	8,110
Per Capita Standard	0.0003	0.0003	0.0003	0.0003	0.0003	0.0003	0.0003	0.0003	0.0003	0.0003	0.0003	0.0003	0.0003	0.0003	0.0003

15 Year Average	2009-2023
Quantity Standard	0.0003
Quality Standard	\$132,900
Service Standard	\$40

D.C. Amount (before deductions)	10 Year
Forecast Population	1,128
\$ per Capita	\$40
Eligible Amount	\$44,973



Table B-4
Service Standard Calculation – Services Related to a Highway – Public Works – Vehicles & Equipment

Blandford-Blenheim
Service Standard Calculation Sheet

Class of Service: Public Works - Vehicles & Equipment
 Unit Measure: No. of vehicles and equipment

Description	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024 Value (\$/Vehicle)
Single Axle	2	2	2	2	2	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$365,000
Tandem	3	3	3	3	3	4	4	4	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	\$380,000
1/2 Ton Pickup Truck	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	\$60,000
3/4 Ton Pickup Truck	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	\$75,000
Grader	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	\$520,000
Case Loader	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	\$330,000
Backhoes	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	\$300,000
Tractor	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	\$425,000
Follow-Me-Wobbly	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	\$36,800
Retriever	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	\$15,000
Snow Plowing Equipment	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	\$101,000
Misc. Tools & Equipment incl. Commu	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	\$100,000
Trackless Machine							1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	\$205,300
1-Ton Pickup Truck	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	\$110,000
Slide in Water Tank	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	\$25,000
Total	21	21	21	21	21	21	22	23	23							

Population	7,350	7,350	7,359	7,386	7,359	7,342	7,387	7,399	7,352	7,195	7,222	7,363	7,565	7,933	8,110
Per Capita Standard	0.0029	0.0029	0.0029	0.0028	0.0029	0.0029	0.0030	0.0030	0.0030	0.0031	0.0030	0.0030	0.0029	0.0029	0.0028

15 Year Average	2009-2023
Quantity Standard	0.0029
Quality Standard	\$241,297
Service Standard	\$700

D.C. Amount (before deductions)	10 Year
Forecast Population	1,128
\$ per Capita	\$700
Eligible Amount	\$789,329



Table B-5
Service Standard Calculation – Services Related to a Highway – Public Works – Facilities

Blandford-Blenheim
Service Standard Calculation Sheet

Class of Service: Public Works - Facilities
 Unit Measure: sq.ft. of building area

Description	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024 Bld'g Value (\$/sq.ft.)	Value/sq.ft. with land, site works, etc.
Equipment Depot - Drumbo	6,564	6,564	6,564	6,564	6,564	6,564	8,344	8,344	8,344	8,344	8,344	8,344	8,344	8,344	8,344	\$315	\$352
Salt Dome - Drumbo	7,854	7,854	7,854	7,854	7,854	7,854	7,854	7,854	7,854	7,854	7,854	7,854	7,854	7,854	7,854	\$61	\$74
Equipment Depot - Innerkip	3,825	3,825	3,825	3,825	3,825	3,825	3,825	3,825	3,825	3,825	3,825	3,825	3,825	3,825	3,825	\$315	\$358
New Salt Dome - Innerkip1	-	-	-	-	2,800	2,800	2,800	2,800	2,800	2,800	2,800	2,800	2,800	2,800	2,800	\$61	\$67
Drumbo Storage Garage (Shared between PW and Community Services) 50%											759	759	759	759	759	\$315	\$351
Total	18,243	18,243	18,243	18,243	21,043	21,043	22,823	22,823	22,823	22,823	23,582	23,582	23,582	23,582	23,582		

Population	7,350	7,350	7,359	7,386	7,359	7,342	7,387	7,399	7,352	7,195	7,222	7,363	7,565	7,933	8,110
Per Capita Standard	2,4820	2,4820	2,4790	2,4699	2,8595	2,8661	3,0896	3,0846	3,1043	3,1721	3,2653	3,2028	3,1172	2,9726	2,9078

15 Year Average	2009-2023
Quantity Standard	2,9037
Quality Standard	\$225
Service Standard	\$653

D.C. Amount (before deductions)	10 Year
Forecast Population	1,128
\$ per Capita	\$653
Eligible Amount	\$736,787



Table B-6
Service Standard Calculation – Fire Protection Services – Facilities

Blandford-Blenheim
Service Standard Calculation Sheet

Service: Fire Protection Services - Facilities
Unit Measure: sq.ft. of building area

Description	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024 Bld'g Value (\$/sq.ft.)	Value/sq.ft. with land, site works, etc.
Bright Fire Hall	1,750	1,750	1,750	1,750	1,750	1,750	1,750	3,400	3,400	3,400	3,400	3,400	3,400	3,400	3,400	\$370	\$432
Drumbo Fire Hall	4,160	4,160	4,160	4,160	4,160	4,160	4,160	4,160	4,160	4,160	4,160	4,160	4,160	4,160	4,160	\$370	\$431
Plattsville Fire Hall	2,590	2,590	2,590	2,590	2,590	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$370	\$429
Princeton Fire Hall	2,500	2,500	2,500	2,500	2,500	2,500	2,500	2,500	2,500	2,500	2,500	2,500	2,500	2,500	2,500	\$370	\$431
New Plattsville Fire Hall	-	-	-	-	-	5,400	5,400	5,400	5,400	5,400	5,400	5,400	5,400	5,400	5,400	\$370	\$435
Total	11,000	11,000	11,000	11,000	11,000	13,810	13,810	15,460									

Population	7,350	7,350	7,359	7,386	7,359	7,342	7,387	7,399	7,352	7,195	7,222	7,363	7,565	7,933	8,110
Per Capita Standard	1.4966	1.4966	1.4948	1.4893	1.4948	1.8810	1.8695	2.0895	2.1028	2.1487	2.1407	2.0997	2.0436	1.9488	1.9063

15 Year Average	2009-2023
Quantity Standard	1.8468
Quality Standard	\$432
Service Standard	\$798

D.C. Amount (before deductions)	10 Year
Forecast Population	1,128
\$ per Capita	\$798
Eligible Amount	\$900,178



Table B-7
Service Standard Calculation – Fire Protection Services – Vehicles & Equipment

Blandford-Blenheim
Service Standard Calculation Sheet

Service: Fire Protection Services - Vehicles & Equipment
 Unit Measure: No. of vehicles

Description	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024 Value (\$/Vehicle)
Pumpers	5	5	5	5	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	\$1,100,000
Tankers	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	\$880,000
Pickup Truck 1/2 T	-	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	\$60,000
Pickup Truck 3/4 T	-										1	1	1	1	1	\$75,000
Polaris Ranger Vehicle with Trailer									1	1	1	1	1	1	1	\$55,000
1-Ton Rescue											1	1	1	1	1	\$110,000
Total	9	10	10	10	9	9	9	9	10	10	12	12	12	12	12	

Population	7,350	7,350	7,359	7,386	7,359	7,342	7,387	7,399	7,352	7,195	7,222	7,363	7,565	7,933	8,110
Per Capita Standard	0.0012	0.0014	0.0014	0.0014	0.0012	0.0012	0.0012	0.0012	0.0014	0.0014	0.0017	0.0016	0.0016	0.0015	0.0015

15 Year Average	2009-2023
Quantity Standard	0.0014
Quality Standard	\$802,686
Service Standard	\$1,124

D.C. Amount (before deductions)	10 Year
Forecast Population	1,128
\$ per Capita	\$1,124
Eligible Amount	\$1,267,601



Table B-8
Service Standard Calculation – Fire Protection Services – Small Equipment & Gear

Blandford-Blenheim
Service Standard Calculation Sheet

Service: Fire Protection Services - Small Equipment and Gear
 Unit Measure: No. of equipment and gear

Description	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024 Value (\$/item)
Fire Equipment (# of Firefighters)	60	60	60	62	65	65	65	65	65	65	65	65	65	65	71	\$4,100
SCBA	32	32	32	32	36	36	36	36	36	36	36	36	36	36	40	\$9,800
Total	92	92	92	94	101	111										

Population	7,350	7,350	7,359	7,386	7,359	7,342	7,387	7,399	7,352	7,195	7,222	7,363	7,565	7,933	8,110
Per Capita Standard	0.0125	0.0125	0.0125	0.0127	0.0137	0.0138	0.0137	0.0137	0.0137	0.0140	0.0140	0.0137	0.0134	0.0127	0.0137

15 Year Average	2009-2023
Quantity Standard	0.0134
Quality Standard	\$6,098
Service Standard	\$82

D.C. Amount (before deductions)	10 Year
Forecast Population	1,128
\$ per Capita	\$82
Eligible Amount	\$92,169



Table B-9
Service Standard Calculation – Parks and Recreation Services – Parkland Amenities

Blandford-Blenheim
Service Standard Calculation Sheet

Service: Parkland Amenities
 Unit Measure: No. of parkland amenities

Description	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024 Value (\$/item)
Soccer Fields Unit	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	\$189,600
Lit Ball Diamonds	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	\$500,000
Unlit Ball Diamonds	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	\$175,000
Plattsville Tennis Courts (2)	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	\$123,600
Plattsville Tennis Courts (1)														1	1	\$80,000
Plattsville Multi Purpose Pad														1	1	\$80,000
Play Structures	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	\$30,000
Skateboard Park and Ramps - Bright	-	-	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	\$100,000
Park Booth / Washrooms, Princeton	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	\$160,700
Park Pavilion, Princeton	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	\$80,000
Park Booth (Masson) Princeton	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	\$79,800
Park Booth / Washrooms, Bright	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	\$106,300
Park Pavilion, Drumbo - small	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	1	\$70,000
Park Pavilion, Drumbo - big	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	\$107,600
Park Booth / Washrooms, Drumbo	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	\$273,400
Park Pavilion, Plattsville	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	\$100,000
Multi-Purpose Pad - Princeton	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	1	1	1	1	\$158,000
Skateboard Park - Plattsville	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	\$150,000
Splash Pad - Drumbo										1	1	1	1	1	1	\$420,900
Princeton Walking Trail (kms)							1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	\$171,000
Princeton Fitness Equipment							1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	\$60,000
Splash Pad - Plattsville															1	\$275,000
Pavilion - Drumbo														1	1	\$40,000
Princeton - Gazebo														1	1	\$14,000
Total	21	21	22	22	22	22	24	24	25	27	27	27	28	31	32	

Population	7,350	7,350	7,359	7,386	7,359	7,342	7,387	7,399	7,352	7,195	7,222	7,363	7,565	7,933	8,110
Per Capita Standard	0.0029	0.0029	0.0030	0.0030	0.0030	0.0030	0.0033	0.0033	0.0034	0.0038	0.0038	0.0037	0.0037	0.0039	0.0040

15 Year Average	2009-2023
Quantity Standard	0.0034
Quality Standard	\$196,871
Service Standard	\$669

D.C. Amount (before deductions)	10 Year
Forecast Population	1,128
\$ per Capita	\$669
Eligible Amount	\$755,038



Table B-10
Service Standard Calculation – Parks and Recreation Services – Parks & Recreation Vehicles and Equipment

Blandford-Blenheim
Service Standard Calculation Sheet

Service: Parks & Recreation Vehicles and Equipment
 Unit Measure: No. of vehicles and equipment

Description	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024 Value (\$/Vehicle)
1/2 Ton Pickup Truck	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	\$60,000
3/4 Ton Pickup Truck							1	2	2	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	\$75,000
1 Ton Truck										1	1	1	1	1	1	\$110,000
18' Trailer							1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	\$12,000
Single Axle Trailer							1	1	1	1	1	1				\$5,700
Double Axle Trailer													1	1	1	\$7,500
Zero Turn Kubota Mower							2	2	2	2	2	2	2	3	3	\$35,000
Kubota Tractor							1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	\$22,000
Bucket/Backhoe Attachment									1	1	1	1	1	1	1	\$18,300
Groomer							1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	\$7,000
Ice Resurfacers	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	\$145,000
Ice Edger	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	\$4,000
Floor Scrubber	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	\$12,500
Total	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	5.0	5.0	12.0	13.0	14.0	15.0	15.0	15.0	15.0	16.0	16.0	

Population	7,350	7,350	7,359	7,386	7,359	7,342	7,387	7,399	7,352	7,195	7,222	7,363	7,565	7,933	8,110
Per Capita Standard	0.0005	0.0005	0.0005	0.0005	0.0007	0.0007	0.0016	0.0018	0.0019	0.0021	0.0021	0.0020	0.0020	0.0020	0.0020

15 Year Average	2009-2023
Quantity Standard	0.0014
Quality Standard	\$45,679
Service Standard	\$64

D.C. Amount (before deductions)	10 Year
Forecast Population	1,128
\$ per Capita	\$64
Eligible Amount	\$72,136



Table B-12
Service Standard Calculation – Parks and Recreation Services – Recreation Facilities

Blandford-Blenheim
Service Standard Calculation Sheet

Service: Recreation Facilities
 Unit Measure: sq.ft. of building area

Description	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024 Bld'g Value (\$/sq.ft.)	Value/sq.ft. with land, site works, etc.
Princeton Community Hall	6,900	6,900	6,900	6,900	6,900	6,900	6,900	6,900	6,900	6,900	6,900	6,900	6,900	6,900	6,900	\$244	\$273
Plattsville Arena	22,500	22,500	22,500	40,773	40,773	40,773	40,773	40,773	40,773	40,773	40,773	40,773	40,773	40,773	40,773	\$392	\$434
Bright Community Centre	1,650	1,650	1,650	1,650	1,650	1,650	1,650									\$244	\$274
Richwood Facility	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	\$244	\$273
Drumbo Storage Garage (Shared between PW and Community Services) 50%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	759	759	759	759	759	\$315	\$351
Total	32,550	32,550	32,550	50,823	50,823	50,823	50,823	49,173	49,173	49,173	49,932	49,932	49,932	49,932	49,932		

Population	7,350	7,350	7,359	7,386	7,359	7,342	7,387	7,399	7,352	7,195	7,222	7,363	7,565	7,933	8,110		
Per Capita Standard	4.4286	4.4286	4.4232	6.8810	6.9062	6.9222	6.8801	6.6459	6.6884	6.8343	6.9139	6.7815	6.6004	6.2942	6.1568		

15 Year Average	2009-2023
Quantity Standard	6.2524
Quality Standard	\$402
Service Standard	\$2,512

D.C. Amount (before deductions)	10 Year
Forecast Population	1,128
\$ per Capita	\$2,512
Eligible Amount	\$2,833,750



Appendix C

Cash Flow Calculation



Table C-1
Cash Flow Calculation – Services Related to a Highway – Residential

Year	D.C. Reserve Fund Opening Balance	Development Related Expenditures	Development Related Expenditures	Development Related Long-Term Debt	Population Growth	\$1,692.53	Anticipated Revenues	Annual Surplus/ (Deficit)	1% / 3%	D.C. Reserve Fund Closing Balance after Interest
		Nominal Project Cost	Project Cost Inflated at 3%	Existing Debt Payments		Per Capita per Year Inflated at (3%) Starting in 2024			D.C. Reserve Fund Interest Earnings/ (Cost)	
2024	11,319	180,612	180,612		128	1,692.53	216,305	47,012	292	47,304
2025	47,304	329,263	339,141		128	1,743.30	222,794	(69,043)	(326)	(69,369)
2026	(69,369)	287,080	304,563		128	1,795.60	229,478	(144,454)	(3,207)	(147,661)
2027	(147,661)	179,752	196,420		128	1,849.47	236,362	(107,719)	(3,831)	(111,549)
2028	(111,549)	181,386	204,151		128	1,904.95	243,453	(72,248)	(2,757)	(75,005)
2029	(75,005)	192,050	222,638		128	1,962.10	250,756	(46,887)	(1,828)	(48,715)
2030	(48,715)	150,082	179,205		128	2,020.96	258,279	30,359	(275)	30,084
2031	30,084	150,082	184,582		128	2,081.59	266,028	111,530	708	112,238
2032	112,238	166,078	210,382		128	2,144.04	274,008	175,864	1,441	177,304
2033	177,304	352,870	460,415		128	2,208.36	282,229	(882)	882	0
Total		2,169,252	2,482,108	0	1,278		2,479,691		(8,902)	

Note: Numbers may not add due to rounding



Table C-2
Cash Flow Calculation – Services Related to a Highway – Non-Residential

Year	D.C. Reserve Fund Opening Balance	Development Related Expenditures	Development Related Expenditures	Development Related Long-Term Debt	Sq. M. of Gross Floor Area	\$3.498	Anticipated Revenues	Annual Surplus/ (Deficit)	1% / 3%	D.C. Reserve Fund Closing Balance after Interest
		Nominal Project Cost	Project Cost Inflated at 3%	Existing Debt Payments		per sq.m. per Year Inflated at (3%) Starting in 2024			D.C. Reserve Fund Interest Earnings /(Cost)	
2024	1,843	29,402	29,402		10,066	3.498	35,212	7,653	47	7,701
2025	7,701	53,601	55,209		10,066	3.603	36,269	(11,240)	(53)	(11,293)
2026	(11,293)	46,734	49,580		10,066	3.711	37,357	(23,516)	(522)	(24,038)
2027	(24,038)	29,262	31,975		10,066	3.823	38,478	(17,536)	(624)	(18,159)
2028	(18,159)	29,528	33,234		10,066	3.937	39,632	(11,761)	(449)	(12,210)
2029	(12,210)	31,264	36,243		10,066	4.055	40,821	(7,633)	(298)	(7,930)
2030	(7,930)	24,432	29,173		10,066	4.177	42,045	4,942	(45)	4,897
2031	4,897	24,432	30,048		10,066	4.302	43,307	18,156	115	18,271
2032	18,271	27,036	34,248		10,066	4.431	44,606	28,629	235	28,863
2033	28,863	57,444	74,951		10,066	4.564	45,944	(144)	144	(0)
Total		353,134	404,064	0	100,660		403,671		(1,449)	

Note: Numbers may not add due to rounding



**Table C-3
Cash Flow Calculation – Fire Protection Services – Residential**

Year	D.C. Reserve Fund Opening Balance	Development Related Expenditures	Development Related Expenditures	Development Related Long-Term Debt	Population Growth	\$1,521.18	Anticipated Revenues	Annual Surplus/ (Deficit)	1% / 3%	D.C. Reserve Fund Closing Balance after Interest
		Nominal Project Cost	Project Cost Inflated at 3%	Existing Debt Payments		Per Capita per Year Inflated at (3%) Starting in 2024			D.C. Reserve Fund Interest Earnings/ (Cost)	
2024	(34,380)	885,775	885,775		128	1,521.18	194,406	(725,749)	(11,402)	(737,151)
2025	(737,151)	-	-		128	1,566.81	200,239	(536,912)	(19,111)	(556,023)
2026	(556,023)	1,023,400	1,085,725		128	1,613.82	206,246	(1,435,503)	(29,873)	(1,465,376)
2027	(1,465,376)	-	-		128	1,662.23	212,433	(1,252,943)	(40,775)	(1,293,717)
2028	(1,293,717)	-	-		128	1,712.10	218,806	(1,074,911)	(35,529)	(1,110,441)
2029	(1,110,441)	-	-		128	1,763.46	225,370	(885,070)	(29,933)	(915,003)
2030	(915,003)	-	-		128	1,816.36	232,131	(682,872)	(23,968)	(706,840)
2031	(706,840)	-	-		128	1,870.86	239,095	(467,745)	(17,619)	(485,363)
2032	(485,363)	-	-		128	1,926.98	246,268	(239,095)	(10,867)	(249,962)
2033	(249,962)	-	-		128	1,984.79	253,656	3,694	(3,694)	(0)
Total		1,909,175	1,971,500	0	1,278		2,228,651		(222,770)	

Note: Numbers may not add due to rounding



**Table C-4
Cash Flow Calculation – Fire Protection Services – Non-Residential**

Year	D.C. Reserve Fund Opening Balance	Development Related Expenditures	Development Related Expenditures	Development Related Long-Term Debt	Sq. M. of Gross Floor Area	\$3.144	Anticipated Revenues	Annual Surplus/ (Deficit)	1% / 3%	D.C. Reserve Fund Closing Balance after Interest
		Nominal Project Cost	Project Cost Inflated at 3%	Existing Debt Payments		per sq.m. per Year Inflated at (3%) Starting in 2024			D.C. Reserve Fund Interest Earnings /(Cost)	
2024	(5,597)	144,196	144,196		10,066	3.144	31,648	(118,145)	(1,856)	(120,001)
2025	(120,001)	-	-		10,066	3.238	32,597	(87,404)	(3,111)	(90,515)
2026	(90,515)	166,600	176,746		10,066	3.335	33,575	(233,686)	(4,863)	(238,550)
2027	(238,550)	-	-		10,066	3.436	34,582	(203,967)	(6,638)	(210,605)
2028	(210,605)	-	-		10,066	3.539	35,620	(174,986)	(5,784)	(180,769)
2029	(180,769)	-	-		10,066	3.645	36,688	(144,081)	(4,873)	(148,954)
2030	(148,954)	-	-		10,066	3.754	37,789	(111,165)	(3,902)	(115,067)
2031	(115,067)	-	-		10,066	3.867	38,922	(76,144)	(2,868)	(79,013)
2032	(79,013)	-	-		10,066	3.983	40,090	(38,922)	(1,769)	(40,692)
2033	(40,692)	-	-		10,066	4.102	41,293	601	(601)	(0)
Total		310,796	320,942	0	100,660		362,804		(36,265)	

Note: Numbers may not add due to rounding



Table C-5
Cash Flow Calculation – Parks and Recreation Services – Residential

Year	D.C. Reserve Fund Opening Balance	Development Related Expenditures	Development Related Expenditures	Development Related Long-Term Debt	Population Growth	\$717.82	Anticipated Revenues	Annual Surplus/ (Deficit)	1% / 3%	D.C. Reserve Fund Interest Earnings/ (Cost)	D.C. Reserve Fund Closing Balance after Interest
		Nominal Project Cost	Project Cost Inflated at 3%	Existing Debt Payments		Per Capita per Year Inflated at (3%) Starting in 2024			D.C. Reserve Fund Interest Earnings/ (Cost)		
2024	(576,495)	28,011	28,011		128	717.82	91,737	(512,769)	(16,339)	(529,108)	
2025	(529,108)	28,011	28,851		128	739.35	94,489	(463,469)	(14,889)	(478,358)	
2026	(478,358)	28,011	29,716		128	761.53	97,324	(410,751)	(13,337)	(424,087)	
2027	(424,087)	28,011	30,608		128	784.38	100,243	(354,452)	(11,678)	(366,130)	
2028	(366,130)	28,011	31,526		128	807.91	103,251	(294,405)	(9,908)	(304,313)	
2029	(304,313)	38,461	44,586		128	832.15	106,348	(242,551)	(8,203)	(250,754)	
2030	(250,754)	38,461	45,924		128	857.11	109,539	(187,139)	(6,568)	(193,707)	
2031	(193,707)	38,461	47,302		128	882.82	112,825	(128,184)	(4,828)	(133,012)	
2032	(133,012)	38,461	48,721		128	909.31	116,210	(65,523)	(2,978)	(68,501)	
2033	(68,501)	38,461	50,182		128	936.59	119,696	1,012	(1,012)	0	
Total		332,355	385,426	0	1,278		1,051,662		(89,740)		

Note: Numbers may not add due to rounding



Table C-6
Cash Flow Calculation – Parks and Recreation Services – Non-Residential

Year	D.C. Reserve Fund Opening Balance	Development Related Expenditures	Development Related Expenditures	Development Related Long-Term Debt	Sq. M. of Gross Floor Area	\$0.480	Anticipated Revenues	Annual Surplus/ (Deficit)	1% / 3%	D.C. Reserve Fund Closing Balance after Interest
		Nominal Project Cost	Project Cost Inflated at 3%	Existing Debt Payments		per sq.m. per Year Inflated at (3%) Starting in 2024			D.C. Reserve Fund Interest Earnings /(Cost)	
2024	(30,342)	1,474	1,474		10,066	0.480	4,828	(26,988)	(860)	(27,848)
2025	(27,848)	1,474	1,518		10,066	0.494	4,973	(24,393)	(784)	(25,177)
2026	(25,177)	1,474	1,564		10,066	0.509	5,122	(21,618)	(702)	(22,320)
2027	(22,320)	1,474	1,611		10,066	0.524	5,276	(18,655)	(615)	(19,270)
2028	(19,270)	1,474	1,659		10,066	0.540	5,434	(15,495)	(521)	(16,016)
2029	(16,016)	2,024	2,347		10,066	0.556	5,597	(12,766)	(432)	(13,198)
2030	(13,198)	2,024	2,417		10,066	0.573	5,765	(9,849)	(346)	(10,195)
2031	(10,195)	2,024	2,490		10,066	0.590	5,938	(6,747)	(254)	(7,001)
2032	(7,001)	2,024	2,564		10,066	0.608	6,116	(3,449)	(157)	(3,605)
2033	(3,605)	2,024	2,641		10,066	0.626	6,300	53	(53)	(0)
Total		17,492	20,286	0	100,660		55,351		(4,723)	

Note: Numbers may not add due to rounding



Appendix D

Long-Term Capital and Operating Cost Examination



Appendix D: Long-Term Capital and Operating Cost Examination

As a requirement of the D.C.A. under subsection 10(2)(c), an analysis must be undertaken to assess the long-term capital and operating cost impacts for the capital infrastructure projects identified within the D.C. As part of this analysis, it was deemed necessary to isolate the incremental operating expenditures directly associated with these capital projects, factor in cost savings attributable to economies of scale or cost sharing where applicable and prorate the cost on a per unit basis (i.e., sq.ft. of building space, per vehicle, etc.). This was undertaken through a review of the Township's 2022 Financial Information Return.

In addition to the operational impacts, over time the initial capital projects will require replacement. This replacement of capital is often referred to as lifecycle cost. By definition, lifecycle costs are all the costs which are incurred during the life of a physical asset, from the time its acquisition is first considered, to the time it is taken out of service for disposal or redeployment. The method selected for lifecycle costing is the sinking fund method which provides that money will be contributed annually and invested, so that those funds will grow over time to equal the amount required for future replacement.

Table D-1 depicts the annual operating impact resulting from the proposed gross capital projects at the time they are all in place. It is important to note that, while municipal program expenditures will increase with growth in population, the costs associated with the new infrastructure (i.e., facilities) would be delayed until the time these works are in place.

Table D-1
Operating and Capital Expenditure Impacts for Future Capital Expenditures

SERVICE/CLASS		ANNUAL LIFECYCLE EXPENDITURES	ANNUAL OPERATING EXPENDITURES	TOTAL ANNUAL EXPENDITURES
1.	Services Related to a Highway	163,427	215,653	379,080
2.	Fire Protection Services	127,044	163,843	290,888
3.	Parks and Recreation Services	15,915	14,229	30,144
Total		306,387	393,726	700,112



Appendix E

Local Service Policy



Appendix E: Local Service Policy

1. Roads and Related Services

1.1. Collector Roads

- The local component of a collector road internal to a development is a direct developer responsibility under s.59 of the D.C.A. as a local service. The oversized share of a collector road internal to a development is D.C. recoverable.
- Collector roads external to a development that are within the area referred to within the development agreement area a local service and a direct developer responsibility under s.59 of the D.C.A. If the works are not within the area referred to within the development agreement, the works are included in the D.C. calculation to the extent permitted under s.5(1) of the D.C.A.

1.2. Arterial Roads

- New arterial roads and arterial road improvements are included as part of road costing funded through D.C.s. Only the oversized component would be recovered through D.C.s and local road equivalent costs are considered to be a local service and a direct developer responsibility under s.59 of the D.C.A.

1.3. Local Roads

- Local roads, as defined by the Oxford County Design Guidelines & Specifications, are local services and a direct developer responsibility under s.59 of the D.C.A.

1.4. Subdivision/Site Entrances and Related

- Entrances and all related costs (including, but not limited to: signalization, turn lanes, utilities and extensions, etc.), no matter the class of road, are a local service and a direct developer responsibility under s.59 of the D.C.A.

1.5. Streetlights

- Streetlights internal to a development or site are a direct developer responsibility under s.59 of the D.C.A.



- Streetlights external to a development but related to the subject lands are a direct developer responsibility under s.59 of the D.C.A.
- New streetlights in other areas related to development may be included in the D.C. calculation to the extent permitted under S. 5(1) of the D.C.A.

1.6. Sidewalks

- Sidewalks internal to a development or site are a direct developer responsibility under s.59 of the D.C.A.
- Sidewalks external to a development but required and related to the subject lands are a direct developer responsibility under s.59 of the D.C.A
- New sidewalks in other areas related to development are included in the D.C. calculation to the extent permitted under s.5(1) of the D.C.A.

1.7. Bike Routes/Bike Lanes/Bike Paths/Multi-Use Trails/Naturalized Walkways

- Bike or transit lanes, where requested, internal to a development or site are a direct developer responsibility under s.59 of the D.C.A
- Bike or transit lanes external to a development but required and related to the subject lands are a direct developer responsibility under s.59 of the D.C.A
- New bike or transit lanes in other areas related to development are included in the D.C. calculation to the extent permitted under s.5(1) of the D.C.A.

1.8. Noise Abatement Measures

- Noise abatement measures internal to a development are a direct developer responsibility under s.59 of the D.C.A
- Noise abatement measures external to a development but required as identified in a noise study, and related to, or mitigate impacts from, the development of the subject lands, are a direct developer responsibility under s.59 of the D.C.A

1.9. Street Tree Planting

- Street tree planting, is considered a local area service and a direct developer responsibility under s.59 of the D.C.A

1.10. Land Acquisition for Road Allowances



- Land acquisition for planned road allowances within development lands is a dedication requirement to the municipality under the *Planning Act* provisions.
- Land acquisition for planned road allowances outside of development lands, and that is not a dedication requirement to the municipality under the *Planning Act*, is included in the D.C. calculation to the extent permitted under s.5(1) of the D.C.A.
- Additional land acquisition for bridges or grade separations beyond normal dedication requirements are included in the D.C. calculation to the extent permitted under s.5(1) of the D.C.A.

1.11. County Roads

- All improvements to a County road (which may be classified as a Collector or Arterial Roads) to facilitate development are a local service and a direct developer responsibility under s.59 of the D.C.A. unless they fall into one of the following categories:
 - The improvement is designated as required by a traffic impact study for traffic flow improvement for an area greater than the development, is defined as a road improvement required by the County, and is identified through the Class Environmental Assessment process or the County Transportation Master Plan. Such an improvement would be included in the DC calculation to the extent permitted under s. 5(1) of the D.C.A.
 - The improvement is designated as required by County staff to serve a greater area than the development and is identified in the 10-year Capital Plan and is included in the D.C. calculation to the extent permitted under s. 5(1) of the D.C.A.

2. Water Services

2.1 Supply, Storage and Treatment Facilities

- All growth-related water supply, storage, and treatment facilities will be included in the DC calculation to the extent permitted under Subsection 5(1) of the D.C.A., unless specifically noted otherwise in the D.C. Background Study.

2.2 Booster Pumping Stations

- Local booster pumping stations serving a small, localized area (which may include more than one development property) are local services and a direct



funding responsibility of the developer under Section 59 of the D.C.A. shared on a flow area or proportional basis. Local booster pumping stations will not be included in the list of projects in the DC Background Study and therefore not eligible for D.C. funding or credits.

- Any oversizing costs for other developers on a local booster pumping station will be negotiated as part of the development agreement for the primary developer.
- Major booster pumping stations serving more than one development property are to be included in the D.C. calculation to the extent permitted under Subsection 5(1) of the DCA. These services will be identified through a Class Environmental Assessment, Servicing Study or Master Plan.

2.3 Watermains

- Watermains 250mm and under are deemed to be a local service and are a direct funding responsibility of the developer under Section 59 of the D.C.A.
- Watermains within the development that are larger than 250mm are to be included in the D.C. calculation to the extent permitted under Subsection 5(1) of the D.C.A. The amount of cost contribution for watermains within a development shall be calculated using tendered unit prices and shall be the difference between the cost of the actual pipe diameter and the cost of a 250mm pipe diameter plus a 10% engineering fee. Only watermain and valves will be included in the calculation. Any costs related to the depth of pipe are the responsibility of the developer.
- Connections to trunk watermains are a direct developer responsibility under Section 59 of the D.C.A. Watermains will generally be required to be carried to a property line or external to the development area to connect to an existing watermain as a local service as a direct funding responsibility of the developer under Section 59 of the D.C.A..
- Trunk watermains, generally outside the development area, identified by a Class Environmental Assessment, Servicing Study or Master Plan will be included in
- the D.C. calculation to the extent permitted under Subsection 5(1) of the D.C.A.

3. Wastewater Services

3.1 Treatment Facilities



- All sanitary sewage treatment facilities are to be included in the D.C. calculation to the extent permitted under Subsection 5(1) of the D.C.A., unless specified otherwise in the DC Background Study.

3.2 Sewage Pumping Stations

- Local sewage pumping stations serving a small localized area (which may include more than one development property) are local services and a direct funding responsibility of the developer under Section 59 of the D.C.A. on a flow area or proportional basis. Local sewage pumping stations will not be included in the list of projects in the DC Background Study and therefore not eligible for D.C. funding or credits.
- Any oversizing costs for other developers on a local sewage pumping station will be negotiated as part of the development agreement for the particular developer.
- Major sewage pumping stations serving more than one development property are to be included in the D.C. calculation to the extent permitted under Subsection 5(1) of the D.C.A. These services will be identified through a Class Environmental Assessment, Servicing Study or Master Plan.

3.3 Collectors

- Sanitary trunk sewers and forcemains, external to the development, are to be included in the D.C. calculation to the extent permitted under Subsection 5(1) of the D.C.A. These services will be identified through a Class Environmental assessment, Servicing Study or Master Plan.
- Sewer collectors and forcemains 250mm and under are deemed to be a local service and a direct funding responsibility of the developer under Section 59 of the D.C.A.
- Sanitary sewers and forcemains larger than 250mm that also service upstream properties will have cost sharing calculated on the tendered unit prices and shall be the difference between the cost of the actual pipe diameter and the cost of a 250mm pipe plus a 10% engineering fee. All other appurtenances with respect to oversizing and any costs related to the depth of pipe are the responsibility of the developer under Section 59 of the D.C.A.
- Connections to collectors and forcemains to service specific areas are deemed to be a local service and a direct developer responsibility under Section 59 of the D.C.A.. The cost of continuing the last run of a sewer upstream past the last



manhole to property line is the responsibility of the developer as a local service under Section 59 of the DCA.

4. **Stormwater Management Services**

- The costs of stormwater management facilities (SWM) internal to the development area and related to a plan of subdivision are considered to be a local service and a direct developer responsibility under Section 59 of the D.C.A. Local SWM facilities would typically include:
 - Stormwater management facilities servicing local drainage areas;
 - Storm sewer oversizing associated with local drainage areas; and
 - Storm sewer works on existing roads.
- New stormwater facilities in other areas, which may or may not be associated with D.C. eligible road infrastructure, may be included in the D.C. calculation to the extent permitted under Subsection 5(1) of the D.C.A.
- Master drainage planning studies or similar non-development specific studies may be included in the DC calculation to the extent permitted under Subsection 5(1) of the D.C.A.

5. **Parkland Development**

- For the purpose of parkland development, local services include the requirement for the developer to undertake preparation of the park plan, retaining necessary consultants to prepare design and grading plans for the park, prior to development. In addition, the owner is required to provide stripping and stockpiling, leveling, topsoiling, seeding and stormwater servicing including all appurtenances (consistent with the plan), fencing the property perimeter, and provide municipal water and wastewater services to the lot line.
- These requirements are part of the conditions of Section 51 and 53 *Planning Act* agreements. The Area Municipality also requires the owner to dedicate parkland or provide cash-in-lieu, consistent with the Planning Act provisions. All of these costs are deemed a direct responsibility of the developer and have not been included in the D.C. calculation.
- With respect to other parkland development costs, the Area Municipalities' policy includes all other components of parkland development in the DC calculation, including parking, park furniture, signage, landscaping and walkways and multi-



purpose trails, in addition to the necessary fields, diamonds, playground equipment, lighting, irrigation and field houses.



Appendix F

Proposed Development Charge By-law

Township of Blandford-Blenheim

By-Law No. XXXX-2024

A By-law to Establish Township-Wide Development Charges for the Township of Blandford-Blenheim

WHEREAS subsection 2 (1) of the *Development Charges Act, 1997*, S.O. 1997, c.27 (hereinafter called “the Act”) provides that the council of a municipality may by by-law impose development charges against land to pay for increased capital costs required because of increased needs for Services arising from the Development of the area to which the by-law applies;

AND WHEREAS Council has before it a report entitled “Development Charges Background Study” (the “Study”), the Township of Blandford-Blenheim hereinafter referred to as the “Township”, dated April 5, 2024 by Watson & Associates Economists Ltd., wherein it is indicated that the Development of any land within the Township will increase the need for Services as defined herein;

AND WHEREAS Council gave notice to the public and held a public meeting pursuant to section 12 of the Act on May 1, 2024 prior to and at which the Study and the proposed Development Charge by-law were made available to the public in accordance with the Act and regulations thereto and Council heard comments and representations from all persons who applied to be heard (the “Public Meeting”);

AND WHEREAS Council intends to ensure that the increase in the need for Services attributable to the anticipated development, including any capital costs, will be met, by updating its capital budget and forecast where appropriate;

AND WHEREAS by approval of the Study, dated April 5, 2024, Council has indicated its intent that the future excess capacity identified in the Study, shall be paid for by the development charges or other similar charges.

NOW THEREFORE THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BLANDFORD-BLENHEIM ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. DEFINITIONS

In this by-law,

- (1) “**Act**” means the *Development Charges Act, 1997*, c. 27, as amended;
- (2) “**Affordable housing**” means dwelling units and incidental facilities, primarily for persons of low and moderate income, that meet the requirements of any program for such purpose as administered by any agency of the Federal or Provincial government, the County of Oxford and/or the Area Municipality and

for which an agreement has been entered into with the County of Oxford with respect to the provision of such dwelling units and facilities;

- (3) “**Apartment Dwelling**” means any dwelling unit within a building containing more than four dwelling units where the units are connected by an interior corridor. Notwithstanding the foregoing, an Apartment Dwelling includes a Stacked Townhouse Dwelling;
- (4) “**Area Municipality**” means a lower-tier municipality that forms part of the County of Oxford;
- (5) “**Back-to-back Townhouse Dwelling**” means a building containing four (4) or more Dwelling Units separated vertically by a common wall, including a rear common wall, that does not have a rear yard with amenity area;
- (6) “**Bedroom**” means a habitable room larger than seven square metres, including a den, study, or other similar area, but does not include a living room, dining room or kitchen;
- (7) “**Board of Education**” means a board defined in subsection 1 (1) of the *Education Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. E,2, as amended;
- (8) “**Building Code Act**” means the *Building Code Act*, R.S.O. 1992, S.O. 1992, c. 23, as amended;
- (9) “**Building**” means a permanent enclosed structure occupying an area greater than ten square metres (10 m²) and, notwithstanding the generality of the foregoing, includes, but is not limited to:
 - (a) An above-grade storage tank;
 - (b) An air-supported structure;
 - (c) An industrial tent;
 - (d) A roof-like structure over a gas-bar or service station; and
 - (e) An area attached to and ancillary to a retail Development delineated by one or more walls or part walls, a roof-like structure, or any one or more of them;
- (10) “**Bunk House**” means a building accessory to a permitted agricultural use containing kitchen and bathroom facilities and sleeping accommodation in individual or combination rooms for seasonal workers directly employed by the permitted use. For clarity, a Bunk House is not a residential use;

(11) “**Capital Cost**” means costs incurred or proposed to be incurred by the Township or a local board thereof directly or by others on behalf of, and as authorized by, the Township or local board,

(a) to acquire land or an interest in land, including a leasehold interest;

(b) to improve land;

(c) to acquire, lease, construct or improve buildings and structures;

(d) to acquire, lease, construct or improve facilities including (but not limited to),

(i) furniture and equipment, other than computer equipment; and

(ii) material acquired for circulation, reference or information purposes by a library board within the meaning of the *Public Libraries Act*;

(e) rolling stock with an estimated useful life of seven years or more;

(f) interest on money borrowed to pay for costs in (a) to (e);

required for provision of Services designated in this by-law within or outside the Township;

(12) “**Council**” means the Council of the Township of Blandford-Blenheim;

(13) “**Development**” means any activity or proposed activity in respect of land that requires one or more of the actions referred to in section 5 of this by-law and including the redevelopment of land or the redevelopment, expansion, extension or alteration of a use, building or structure except interior alterations to an existing building or structure which do not change or intensify the use of land;

(14) “**Development Charge**” means a charge imposed pursuant to this by-law;

(15) “**Dwelling**” or “**Dwelling Unit**” means any part of a building or structure with a room or suite of rooms used, or designed or intended for use, by one person or persons living together, in which sanitary facilities and a separate kitchen may or may not be provided for the exclusive use of such person or persons;

(16) “**Farm Building**” means a Building or structure associated with and located on land devoted to the practice of farming, as defined by the *Farming and Food Production Protection Act, 1998*, and that is used essentially for the housing of farm equipment or livestock, or the production, storage or processing of agricultural and horticultural produce or feeds, and as part of or in connection with a bona fide farming operation and includes barns, silos, Bunk Houses,

and other buildings or structures ancillary to that farming operation, but excludes:

- (a) any Building or portion thereof used or intended to be used for any other Non-Residential Use, including, but not limited to: retail sales; commercial services; restaurants; banquet facilities; hospitality and accommodation facilities; gift shops; contractors shops; services related to grooming, boarding, or breeding of household pets; and alcohol or marijuana production facilities;
- (17) “**Grade**” means the average level of finished ground adjoining a building or structure at all exterior walls;
- (18) “**Gross Floor Area**” means the total floor area measured between the outside of exterior walls, or between the outside of exterior walls and the centre line of party walls dividing the Building from another Building, of all floors above the average level of finished ground adjoining the building at its exterior walls;
- (19) “**Industrial Building**” means a building used for or in connection with,
- (a) manufacturing, producing, processing, storing or distributing something;
 - (b) research or development in connection with manufacturing, producing or processing something;
 - (c) retail sales by a manufacturer, producer or processor of something they manufactured, produced or processed, if the retail sales are at the site where the manufacturing, production, or processing takes place;
 - (d) office or administrative purposes, if they are;
 - (i) carried out with respect to manufacturing, producing, processing, storage or distributing of something, and
 - (ii) in or attached to the Building or structure used for that manufacturing, producing, processing, storage or distribution;

and shall not include self-storage facilities or retail warehouses;

- (20) “**Institutional Development**” means development of a building or structure intended for use,
- (a) as a long-term care home within the meaning of subsection 2(1) of the *Long-Term Care Homes Act, 2007*;

- (b) as a retirement home within the meaning of subsection 2(2) of the *Retirement Homes Act, 2010*;
 - (c) by any of the following post-secondary institutions for the objects of the institutions:
 - (i) a university in Ontario that receives direct, regular and ongoing operating funding from the Government of Ontario
 - (ii) A college or university federated or affiliated with a university described in subclause 1.19.3.2; or
 - (iii) An Indigenous Institute prescribed for the purposes of section 6 of the *Indigenous Institutes Act, 2017*
 - (d) as a memorial home, clubhouse or athletic grounds by an Ontario branch of the Royal Canadian Legion; or
 - (e) as a hospice to provide end of life care;
- (21) “**Local Board**” means a municipal service board, public utility commission, public library board, board of health, police services board or any other board, commission, committee or body or local authority established or exercising any power or authority under any general or special Act with respect to any of the affairs or purposes, including school purposes, of the Township or any part or parts thereof, excluding a conservation authority, any municipal business corporation not deemed to be a local board under O. Reg. 168/03 under the *Municipal Act, 2001*, S.O. 2001, c. 25, as amended, and any corporation enacted under the *Electricity Act, 1998*, S.O. 1998, c. 15, Sched. A, as amended, or successor legislation;
- (22) “**Local Services**” means those services or facilities which are under the jurisdiction of the Township and are related to a plan of subdivision or within the area to which the plan relates, required as a condition of approval under s.51 of the *Planning Act*, or as a condition of approval under s.53 of the *Planning Act*;
- (23) “**Long-Term Care Home**” means the floor area of a facility directly related to beds that are licensed, regulated or funded by the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care, in an approved charitable home for the aged (as defined in the *Charitable Institutions Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. C.9), a home (as defined in the *Homes for the Aged and Rest Homes Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. H.13), or a nursing home (as defined in the *Nursing Homes Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. N.7);
- (24) “**Mezzanine**” means an intermediate floor assembly between the floor and ceiling of any room or storey and includes an interior balcony;

- (25) **“Multiple Dwelling”** means all dwellings other than single detached dwellings, semi-detached dwellings, and apartment dwellings, and shall include Park Model Trailers;
- (26) **“Non-Profit Housing Development”** means development of a building or structure intended for use as residential premises by:
- (a) a corporation to which the *Canada Not-for-profit Corporation Act, 2010* applies, that is in good standing under that Act and whose primary objective is to provide housing,
 - (b) a corporation without share capital to which the *Canada Not-for-profit Corporation Act, 2010* applies, that is in good standing under that Act and whose primary object is to provide housing, or
 - (c) a non-profit housing co-operative that is in good standing under the *Co-operative Corporations Act, 2022*;
- (27) **“Non-Residential Uses”** means a building or structure, or portions thereof, used, or designed or intended for a use other than a Residential Use;
- (28) **“Official Plan”** means the Official Plan of the County of Oxford and any amendments thereto;
- (29) **“Owner”** means the owner of land or a person who has made application for an approval for the development of land upon which a Development Charge is imposed;
- (30) **“Park Model Trailer”** means a trailer conforming to National Standard of Canada CAN CSA-Z241.0-92, CAN CSA-Z240 or similar standard that is up to a maximum size of 50 square metres and designed to facilitate relocation from time to time;
- (31) **“Planning Act”** means the *Planning Act, 1990*, R.S.O. 1990, c.P.13, as amended;
- (32) **“Private School”** means an academic education school to which all of the following apply:
- (a) registered with the Province as a “private school” under section 16 of the *Education Act*,
 - (b) non-publicly funded;
 - (c) operated on a not-for-profit basis;

- (d) operated by a non-share non-profit corporation, or an established or a “religious organization” as defined by the *Religious Organizations’ Land Act*, and
 - (e) offering elementary or secondary academic education;
- (33) “**Regulation**” means any regulation made pursuant to the Act;
- (34) “**Rental Housing Development**” means development of a building or structure with four or more residential units all of which are intended for use as rented residential premises;
- (35) “**Residential Uses**” means lands, Buildings or structures or portions thereof used, or designed or intended for use as a home or residence of one or more individuals, and shall include Single Detached Dwelling, Semi-Detached Dwelling, Multiple Dwelling, Apartment Dwelling, and the residential portion of a mixed-use Building or structure;
- (36) “**Row Townhouse Dwelling**” means a building vertically divided into three or more Dwelling Units by common walls extending from the base of the foundation to the roof. Each Dwelling Unit shall have separate entrance directly to the outside;
- (37) “**Semi-Detached Dwelling**” means a building divided vertically into two Dwelling Units each of which has a separate entrance and access to grade;
- (38) “**Services**” means services set out in Schedule “A” to this by-law;
- (39) “**Single Detached Dwelling**” means a completely detached Building containing only one Dwelling Unit;
- (40) “**Special Care/Special Need Dwelling**” means a Building, or part of a Building:
- (a) containing two or more Dwelling Units which units have a common entrance from street level;
 - (b) where the occupants have the right to use in common with other occupants, halls, stairs, yards, common rooms and accessory Buildings;
 - (c) that is designed to accommodate persons with specific needs, including but not limited to independent permanent living arrangements; and
 - (d) where support services, such as meal preparation, grocery shopping, laundry, housekeeping, nursing, respite care and attendant services are provided at any one or more various levels,

and includes, but is not limited to, retirement homes or lodges, charitable dwellings, group homes (including correctional group homes) and hospices.

Special Care/Special Needs Dwellings will be charged the D.C. rate for Bachelor and 1 Bedroom Apartment Units;

- (41) **“Stacked Townhouse Dwelling”** means a building, other than a Row Townhouse or Back to Back Townhouse, containing at least 3 Dwelling Units; each Dwelling Unit separated from the other vertically and/or horizontally and each Dwelling Unit having a separate entrance to grade;
- (42) **“Temporary Building or Structure”** means a Building or structure constructed or erected or placed on land for a continuous period not exceeding twelve months, or an addition or alteration to a Building or structure that has the effect of increasing the total floor area thereof for a continuous period not exceeding twelve months;
- (43) **“Temporary Dwelling Unit”** means a dwelling unit, which is:
- (a) designed to be portable (e.g. mobile home);
 - (b) clearly ancillary to, and fully detached from, an existing permanent dwelling unit located on the same lot;
 - (c) only permitted to be in place for a limited period of time; and
 - (d) subject to an agreement with the Area Municipality specifying the maximum period of time the dwelling unit is to be permitted and any other matters that may be deemed necessary or appropriate by the Area Municipality, such as installation, maintenance and removal provisions, financial security requirements and restrictions on occupancy;
- (44) **“Total Floor Area”** means, the sum total of the total areas of all floors in a building or structure whether at above or below grade measured between the exterior faces of the exterior walls of the building or structure or from the centre line of a common wall separating two uses or from the outside edge of a floor where the outside edge of the floor does not meet an exterior or common wall, and;
- (a) includes the floor area of a mezzanine, atrium, or air supported structure, and the space occupied by interior wall partitions;
 - (b) excludes those areas used exclusively for parking garages or structures; and
 - (c) where a building or structure does not have any walls, the total floor area of the building or structure shall be the total of the area of all

floors including the ground floor that are directly beneath the roof of the building or structure;

- (45) **“Wind Turbine”** means any wind energy conversion system with a nameplate generating capacity greater than 300 kilowatts, that converts wind energy into electricity for sale to an electrical utility or intermediary.

2. **CALCULATION OF DEVELOPMENT CHARGES**

- (1) Subject to the provisions of this by-law, the Development Charge against land in the Township shall be imposed, calculated and collected in accordance with the rates set out in Schedules “B1”, “B2” and “B3” relating to the Services set out in Schedule “A”.
- (2) Council hereby determines that the Development of land, Buildings or structures for Residential and Non-Residential uses will require the provision, enlargement or expansion of the Services referenced in Schedule “A”; and shall be calculated as follows:
- (a) In the case of Residential Development, or a Residential portion of a mixed-use Development or redevelopment, the Development Charge shall be the sum of the products of:
- (i) the number of Dwelling Units of each type, multiplied by,
- (ii) the corresponding total dollar amount for such Dwelling Unit as set out in Schedules “B1”, “B2” and “B3”, further adjusted by section 13; and
- (b) In the case of Non-Residential Development, or a Non-Residential portion of a mixed-use Development or redevelopment, the Development Charge shall be the sum of the products of
- (i) the Total Floor Area of Non-Residential Development or Non-Residential portion of mixed-use Development multiplied by,
- (ii) the corresponding total dollar amount per square metre of Total Floor Area, as set out in Schedules “B1”, “B2” and “B3”, further adjusted by section 13; and
- (c) In the case of Wind Turbines, the sum of the number of wind turbines multiplied by the corresponding amount for each wind turbine as set out in Schedules “B1”, “B2” and “B3”, further adjusted by section 13.

3. **APPLICABLE LANDS**

- (1) Subject to the exceptions and exemptions described in the following subsections, this by-law applies to all lands in the Township, whether or not

the land or use is exempt from taxation under section 3 of the *Assessment Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c.A.31, as amended.

- (2) This by-law shall not apply to land that is owned by and used for the purposes of:
- (a) a Board of Education;
 - (b) any municipality or Local Board thereof;
 - (c) a Place of Worship exempt under s.3 of the *Assessment Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. A31, as amended;
 - (d) a Public Hospital under the *Public Hospitals Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. P.40, as amended;
 - (e) land vested in or leased to a university that receives regular and ongoing operating funds from the government for the purposes of post-secondary education if the development in respect of which development charges would otherwise be payable is intended to be occupied and used by the university.
- (3) This by-law shall not apply to:
- (a) Farm Buildings as defined herein;
 - (b) Non-Residential Buildings excluding Industrial Buildings as defined herein;
 - (c) Private Schools as defined herein;
 - (d) Temporary Buildings or structures as defined herein;
 - (e) Affordable Housing as defined herein;
 - (f) Temporary Dwelling Units as defined herein;
 - (g) Long-Term Care home, as defined herein;
 - (h) Notwithstanding any other provision of this by-law, no development charge is payable with respect to an enlargement of the gross floor area of an existing industrial building where the gross floor area is enlarged by 50 percent or less. If the gross floor area of an existing industrial building is enlarged by greater than 50 percent, the amount of the development charge payable in respect of the enlargement is the amount of the development charge that would otherwise be payable multiplied by gross floor area created that is greater than 50% of the existing gross floor area.:

- (i) notwithstanding subsection 3 (3) (i), the exemption for an existing industrial building shall be applied to a maximum of fifty percent (50%) of the gross floor area before the first enlargement for which an exemption from the payment of development charges was granted pursuant to this by-law or its predecessor.
- (ii) The total floor area of an existing industrial building is enlarged where there is a bona fide increase in the size of the existing industrial building, the enlarged area is attached to the existing industrial building, there is a direct means of ingress and egress from the existing industrial building to and from the enlarged area for persons, goods and equipment and the existing industrial building and the enlarged area are used for or in connection with an industrial purpose as set out in subsection 1(1) of the Regulation. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the exemption in this section shall not apply where the enlarged area is attached to the existing industrial building by means only of a tunnel, bridge, canopy, corridor, or other passageway, or through a shared below grade connection such as a service tunnel, foundation, footing or parking facility

4. RULES WITH RESPECT TO EXEMPTIONS FOR INTENSIFICATION OF EXISTING HOUSING

- (1) Notwithstanding section 3 above, no Development Charges shall be imposed with respect to Developments or portions of Developments as follows:
 - (a) The enlargement of an existing dwelling unit;
 - (b) a second residential unit in an existing detached house, semi-detached house or rowhouse on a parcel of land on which residential use, other than ancillary residential use, is permitted, if all buildings and structures ancillary to the existing detached house, semi-detached house or rowhouse cumulatively contain no more than one residential unit.;
 - (c) a third residential unit in an existing detached house, semi-detached house or rowhouse on a parcel of land on which residential use, other than ancillary residential use, is permitted, if no building or structure ancillary to the existing detached house, semi-detached house or rowhouse contains any residential units;
 - (d) one residential unit in a building or structure ancillary to an existing detached house, semi-detached house or rowhouse on a parcel of urban residential land, if the existing detached house, semi-detached

house or rowhouse contains no more than two residential units and no other building or structure ancillary to the existing detached house, semi-detached house or rowhouse contains any residential units; or

- (e) in an existing rental residential building, which contains four or more residential units, the creation of the greater of one residential unit or one per cent of the existing residential units.
 - (f) a second residential unit in a new detached house, semi-detached house or rowhouse on a parcel of land on which residential use, other than ancillary residential use, is permitted, if all buildings and structures ancillary to the new detached house, semi-detached house or rowhouse cumulatively will contain no more than one residential unit;
 - (g) a third residential unit in a new detached house, semi-detached house or rowhouse on a parcel of land on which residential use, other than ancillary residential use, is permitted, if no building or structure ancillary to the new detached house, semi-detached house or rowhouse contains any residential units; or
 - (h) one residential unit in a building or structure ancillary to a new detached house, semi-detached house or rowhouse on a parcel of land, if the new detached house, semi-detached house or rowhouse contains no more than two residential units and no other building or structure ancillary to the new detached house, semi-detached house or rowhouse contains any residential units.
- (2) For the purposes of subsections 4 (1) (d) and 4 (1) (h), a residential unit in a building or structure ancillary to a detached house, semi-detached house or rowhouse must be clearly secondary and subordinate to the principal dwelling on the lot and:
- (a) have gross floor area of no greater than 50% of the gross floor area of the principal dwelling, to a maximum of 140 m²: and
 - (b) shall be located a maximum distance of 30 m from the principal dwelling.

5. **TIMING OF CALCULATION FOR DEVELOPMENT CHARGES**

- (1) Subject to subsection 5 (2), Development Charges shall be calculated and collected in accordance with the provisions of this by-law and be imposed on land to be developed for Residential and Non-Residential Use, where, the development requires,
 - (a) the passing of a zoning by-law or an amendment thereto under section 34 of the *Planning Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c.P.13;

- (b) the approval of a minor variance under section 45 of the *Planning Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c.P.13;
 - (c) conveyance of land to which a by-law passed under subsection 50 (7) of the *Planning Act*, R. S.O. 1990, c.P.13 applies;
 - (d) the approval of a plan of subdivision under section 51 of the *Planning Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c.P.13;
 - (e) a consent under section 53 of the *Planning Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c.P.13;
 - (f) the approval of a description under section 9 of the *Condominium Act*, S.O. 1998, c.9, as amended; or
 - (g) the issuing of a permit under the *Building Code Act*, 1992, S.O. 1992, c.23, as amended in relation to a Building or structure.
- (2) Subsection 5 (1) shall not apply in respect to
- (a) Local Services installed or paid for by the owner within a plan of subdivision or within the area to which the plan relates, as a condition of approval under section 51 of the *Planning Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c.P.13;
 - (b) Local Services installed or paid for by the owner as a condition of approval under section 53 of the *Planning Act*, R.S.O. 1990 c.P.13.
- (3) A Development Charge shall be calculated and payable in full in money or by provision of Services as may be agreed upon, or by credit granted pursuant to the Act or this by-law, on the date that the first building permit is issued in relation to a Building or structure on land to which a Development Charge applies.
- (4) Where a Development Charge applies to land in relation to which a building permit is required, the building permit shall not be issued until the development charge has been paid in full.
- (5) Notwithstanding subsection 5 (1), development charges for rental housing and institutional developments are due and payable in 6 equal installments commencing with the first installment payable on the date of occupancy, and each subsequent installment, including interest, payable on the anniversary date each year thereafter.
- (6) Notwithstanding subsections 5 (1) and 5 (3), where the development of land results from the approval of a Site Plan or Zoning By-law Amendment application received on or after January 1, 2020, and the approval of the application occurred within 2 years of building permit issuance, the Development Charges under section 2 shall be calculated based on the rates set out in Schedules "B1", "B2" and "B3" on the date of the planning

application. Where both planning applications apply, Development Charges under section 2 shall be calculated on the rates set out in Schedules “B1”, “B2” and “B3” on the date of the later planning application.

- (7) Interest for the purposes of subsections 5 (5) and 5 (6) shall be determined as the base rate plus 1 %, where:
- (a) The base rate shall be equal to the average prime rate on:
 - (i) October 15 of the previous year, if the adjustment date is January 1,
 - (ii) January 15 of the same year, if the adjustment date is April 1,
 - (iii) April 15 of the same year, if the adjustment date is July 1, and
 - (iv) July 15 of the same year, if the adjustment date is October 1.
 - (b) The average prime rate, on a particular date means, the mean, rounded to the nearest hundredth of a percentage point, of the annual rates of interest announced by each of the Royal Bank of Canada, The Bank of Nova Scotia, the Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce, the Bank of Montreal and The Toronto-Dominion Bank to be its prime or reference rate of interest in effect on that date for determining interest rates on Canadian dollar commercial loans by that bank in Canada.
- (8) For the purposes of subsection 5 (6), interest calculated under subsection 5 (7) shall not apply where the calculated charges calculated under subsection 5 (6) are the same as the charges that would be calculated under subsection 5 (3).

6. **LOCAL SERVICE INSTALLATION**

- (1) Nothing in this by-law prevents Council from requiring, as a condition of an agreement under section 51 or 53 of the *Planning Act* that the Owner, at his or her own expense, shall install or pay for such Local Services, within the Plan of Subdivision or within the area to which the plan relates, as Council may require.

7. **MULTIPLE CHARGES**

- (1) Where two or more of the actions described in subsection 5 (1) are required before land to which a Development Charge applies can be developed, only one Development Charge shall be calculated and collected in accordance with the provisions of this by-law, as prescribed in section 5.
- (2) Notwithstanding subsection 7 (1), if two or more of the actions described in subsection 5 (1) occur at different times, and if the subsequent action has the

effect of a net increase in the number of Residential Dwelling Units and/or a net increase in the amount of Non-Residential Gross Floor Area, additional Development Charges shall be calculated and collected in accordance with the provisions of this by-law.

8. SERVICES IN LIEU

- (1) Council may authorize an Owner, through an agreement under section 38 of the Act, to substitute such part of the Development Charge applicable to the Owner's Development as may be specified in the agreement, by the provision at the sole expense of the Owner, of services in lieu. Such agreement shall further specify that where the Owner provides services in lieu in accordance with the agreement, Council shall give to the Owner a credit against the Development Charge in accordance with the agreement provisions and the provisions of section 39 of the Act, equal to the reasonable cost to the Owner of providing the services in lieu. In no case shall the agreement provide for a credit which exceeds the total Development Charge payable by an Owner to the Township in respect of the Development to which the agreement relates.
- (2) In any agreement under subsection 8 (1), Council may also give a further credit to the Owner equal to the reasonable cost of providing services in addition to, or of a greater size or capacity, than would be required under this by-law.
- (3) The credit provided for in subsection 8 (2) shall not be charged to any Development Charge reserve fund.

9. FRONT-ENDING AGREEMENTS

- (1) Council may authorize a front-ending agreement in accordance with the provisions of Part III of the Act, upon such terms as Council may require, in respect of the Development of land.

10. DEMOLITION AND CONVERSION CREDITS FOR REDEVELOPMENT OF LAND

- (1) If a Development involves the demolition of and replacement of all or part of a building or structure, or the conversion from one principal use to another, a credit shall be allowed, provided that the land was improved by occupied structures, or structures capable of being occupied without structural improvement, within the five years prior to the issuance of the building permit, and the building permit has been issued for the development within five years from the date the demolition permit has been issued; and;
- (2) Subject to subsection 10 (3), the credit shall be calculated:
 - (a) in the case of the demolition or conversion of a Building, or a part of a Building, used for a Residential purpose, by multiplying the number and type of Dwelling Units demolished or converted by the relevant

Development Charge in effect under this by-law on the date when the Development Charge with respect to the Redevelopment is payable pursuant to this by-law; or

- (b) in the case of the demolition or conversion of a Building, or part of a Building, used for a Non-Residential purpose, by multiplying the Non-Residential Total Floor Area demolished or converted, by the relevant Development Charge in effect under this by-law on the date when the Development Charge with respect to the Redevelopment is payable pursuant to this by-law.
- (3) A credit can, in no case, exceed the amount of the development charge that would otherwise be payable. No credit is available if the use for which the demolished/converted buildings or structures was last lawfully occupied is exempt under this by-law.
- (4) Notwithstanding subsection 10 (1) above, where the Building cannot be demolished until the new Building has been erected, the Owner shall notify the Township in writing and pay the applicable Development Charge for the new Building in full and, if the existing Building is demolished not later than twelve (12) months from the date a building permit is issued for the new Building, the Township shall provide a refund calculated in accordance with this section to the Owner without interest. If more than twelve (12) months is required to demolish the existing Building, the Owner may make a written request to the Township and the Township's Treasurer or designate, in his or her sole and absolute discretion and upon such terms and conditions as he or she considers necessary or appropriate, may extend the time in which the existing Building must be demolished, and such decision shall be made prior to the issuance of the first building permit for the new Building.

11. RESERVE FUNDS

- (1) Monies received from payment of Development Charges under this by-law shall be maintained in a separate reserve fund for each Service category set out in Schedule "A".
- (2) Monies received for the payment of Development Charges shall be used only in accordance with the provisions of section 35 of the Act.
- (3) Council directs the Township Treasurer to divide the reserve fund created hereunder into separate accounts in accordance with the Service categories set out in Schedule "A" to which the Development Charge payments, together interest earned thereon, shall be credited.
- (4) Where any Development Charge, or part thereof, remains unpaid after the due date, the amount unpaid shall be added to the tax roll for the property on with the Development occurred and shall be collected as taxes.

- (5) Where any unpaid Development Charges are collected as taxes under subsection 13 (4), the monies so collected shall be credited to the development charge reserve funds referred to in subsection 13 (1).
- (6) The Township Treasurer shall in each year commencing in 2025 for the 2024 year, furnish to Council a statement in respect of the reserve funds established hereunder for the prior year, containing the information set out in section 12 of O. Reg. 82/98.

12. BY-LAW AMENDMENT OR APPEAL

- (1) Where this by-law or any Development Charge prescribed thereunder is amended or repealed either by order of the Ontario Land Tribunal (OLT) or by resolution of Council, the Township Treasurer shall calculate forthwith the amount of any overpayment to be refunded as a result of said amendment or repeal.
- (2) Refunds that are required to be paid under subsection 12 (1) shall be paid with interest to be calculated as follows:
 - (a) Interest shall be calculated from the date on which the overpayment was collected to the date on which the refund is paid;
 - (b) The Bank of Canada interest rate in effect on the date of enactment of this by-law shall be used.
- (3) Refunds that are required to be paid under subsection 12 (1) shall include the interest owed under this section.

13. BY-LAW INDEXING

- (1) The Development Charges set out in Schedules "B1", "B2" and "B3" to this by-law shall be adjusted annually as of June 13, without amendment to this by-law, in accordance with the most recent twelve month change in the Statistics Canada Quarterly, "Construction Price Statistics".

14. SEVERABILITY

- (1) In the event any provision, or part thereof, of this by-law is found by a court of competent jurisdiction to be void, voidable, unenforceable or ultra vires, such provision, or part thereof, shall be deemed to be severed, and the remaining portion of such provision and all other provisions of this by-law shall remain in full force and effect.

15. BY-LAW ADMINISTRATION

- (1) This by-law shall be administered by the Township Treasurer.

16. SCHEDULES TO THE BY-LAW

(1) The following Schedules to this by-law form an integral part of this by-law:

Schedule A – Schedule of Municipal Services

Schedule B1 – Schedule of Development Charges – Services Related to a Highway

Schedule B2 – Schedule of Development Charges – Fire Protection Services

Schedule B3 – Schedule of Development Charges – Parks and Recreation Services

17. DATE BY-LAW EFFECTIVE

(1) This by-law shall come into force and effect on June 13, 2024.

18. EXISTING BY-LAW REPEAL

(1) By-law 2148-2019 as amended is repealed on the date this by-law comes into effect.

19. SHORT TITLE

(1) This by-law may be cited as the “2024 Township of Blandford-Blenheim Development Charge By-law”.

READ a first and second time this 5th day of June, 2024.

READ a third time and finally passed in Open Council this 5th day of June, 2024.

MAYOR

CLERK

SCHEDULE "A"

TO BY-LAW NO. XXXX-2024

DESIGNATED MUNICIPAL SERVICES UNDER THIS BY-LAW

- (1) Services Related to a Highway
- (2) Fire Protection Services
- (3) Parks and Recreation Services

SCHEDULE “B1”

TO BY-LAW NO. XXXX-2024

SCHEDULE OF DEVELOPMENT CHARGES – SERVICES RELATED TO A HIGHWAY

Service	RESIDENTIAL				NON-RESIDENTIAL	
	Single and Semi-Detached Dwelling	Other Multiples	Apartments - 2 Bedrooms +	Apartments - Bachelor and 1 Bedroom	(per sq.m. of Gross Floor Area)	(per Wind Turbine)
Services Related to a Highway	5,340	3,688	2,954	1,875	3.50	5,340

SCHEDULE "B2"

TO BY-LAW NO. XXXX-2024

SCHEDULE OF DEVELOPMENT CHARGES – FIRE SERVICES

Service	RESIDENTIAL				NON-RESIDENTIAL	
	Single and Semi-Detached Dwelling	Other Multiples	Apartments - 2 Bedrooms +	Apartments - Bachelor and 1 Bedroom	(per sq.m. of Gross Floor Area)	(per Wind Turbine)
Fire Protection Services	4,799	3,315	2,655	1,685	3.14	4,799

SCHEDULE “B3”

TO BY-LAW NO. XXXX-2024

SCHEDULE OF DEVELOPMENT CHARGES – PARKS AND RECREATION SERVICES

Service	RESIDENTIAL				NON-RESIDENTIAL	
	Single and Semi-Detached Dwelling	Other Multiples	Apartments - 2 Bedrooms +	Apartments - Bachelor and 1 Bedroom	(per sq.m. of Gross Floor Area)	(per Wind Turbine)
Parks and Recreation Services	2,265	1,564	1,253	795	0.48	0.00