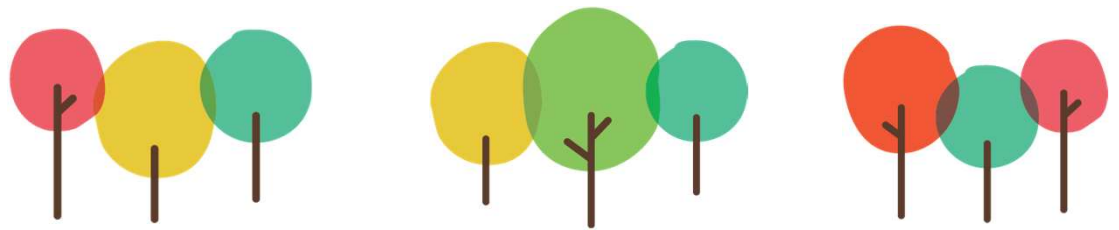


Growing Greenwich?

A Community Conversation

Workshop Two
June 25, 2025



Welcome!



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We're glad you're here!



Tonight's Agenda



- 7:00 – 7:10 PM** | Welcome & Opening Remarks
- 7:10 – 7:25 PM** | Presentation – What We Heard in Round 1
- 7:25 – 7:40 PM** | Presentation – Preliminary Scenarios
- 7:40 – 7:45 PM** | What's Next
- 7:45 – 9:00 PM** | Open House – Feedback Stations

Some Housekeeping

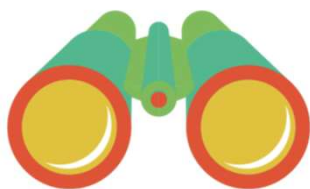


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- Washrooms
- Refreshments
- Your Participation
- Respect for Others



About Growing Greenwich



Phase 1: Community Visioning (May)

- We collected your ideas, concerns, and hopes for the future of Greenwich
- This phase included an in-person workshop (May 15) and an online survey (closed May 31)



Phase 2: Focused Conversations (Now!)

- We are exploring key issues raised in Phase 1, and exploring potential growth scenarios
- This phase includes stakeholder interviews, a community workshop (June 25), and an online survey
- Your input helps shape what we focus on next...



Phase 3: Did We Get It Right? (September)

- We'll bring back ideas and concepts for your feedback
- This will include a final workshop and online tools to provide comments

Why This Matters (and Why Now)



Planning for the future isn't just about buildings and roads — it's about understanding what matters most to the people who live, work, and farm in Greenwich.

This process gives us a chance to:

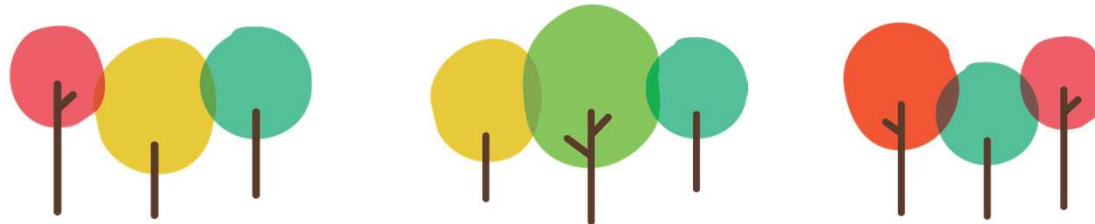
- Reflect current needs and values
- Focus on Greenwich specifically
- Support smart decisions
- Balance growth and preservation
- Ensure community voice is central



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Phase 1 – What We Heard

Growing Greenwich? Phase 1 Engagement Summary



Phase 1 – Purpose



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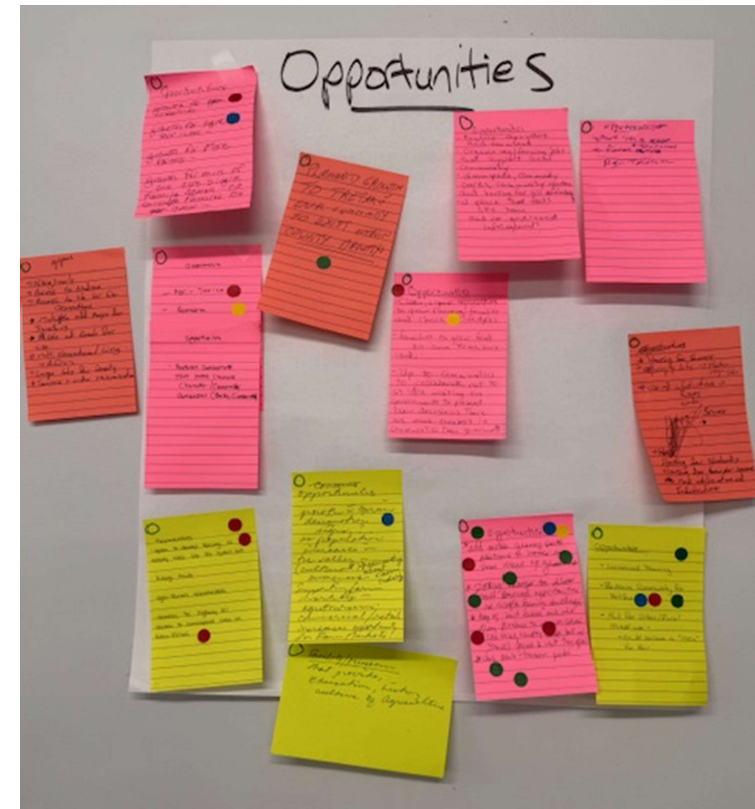
- **Phase 1** engagement was designed to help the Municipality understand the community's values, concerns, opportunities, and long-term hopes for Greenwich. It provided a starting point for conversations about where growth should (or should not) happen, and what principles should guide future decisions.
- Engagement Activities included an in-person workshop and online survey.

Phase 1 – Who We Heard From



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- Community Workshop: 45+ Participants
- Online Survey: 52 participants
- We heard from a broad cross section of the community, including:
 - Residents of Greenwich and neighbouring areas
 - Farmers and agricultural landowners
 - Local business owners
 - Seniors, families, and young adults



Phase 1 – Key Themes

- What Makes Greenwich Special
 - Farmland and Agricultural Character
“The hard-working farmers and the farming culture.”
 - Small-Town, Rural Feel
“It’s the best of both worlds — small town feel but close to amenities.”
 - Natural Surroundings
“Beautiful, peaceful surroundings.”
 - Supportive Community and Local Businesses
“The amazing community and local businesses that drive and support local producers.”

Phase 1 – Key Themes (2)

- Perceived Changes and Challenges
 - Loss of Farmland and Urban Creep
“We have a wonderful piece of land here; let’s not lose it to development.”
 - Traffic, Road Safety, and Infrastructure
“Roads, Highway 1, are already too busy — adding more isn’t feasible.”
 - Mixed Views on Housing
“Affordable, family-friendly housing, business opportunities, and good transit.”
 - Amenities and Services
“We need a community playground and small gym for exercise.”
 - Trust and Process
“We need a council that supports our community vision.”

Phase 1 – Key Themes (3)

- Opportunities and Future Vision
 - Protect Farmland and Greenspace
“Preserve farmland and greenspace to ensure food security and community identity.”
 - Support Thoughtful, Directed Growth
“More housing, but not at the expense of community character.”
 - Improve Infrastructure Before Growing
“Better storm culverts and drainage before any growth.”
 - Maintain Community Character and Sustainability
“Think about the next seven generations, not just the next few years.”

Phase 1 – Community Priorities



- **Protect Farmland & Rural Character**
Strong desire to maintain agricultural land and the distinct identity of Greenwich.
- **Support for Some Growth**
Interest in development that fits local character and infrastructure capacity.
- **Housing Needs and Options Matter**
Need for more diverse and affordable housing options — especially for seniors and young families.
- **Infrastructure & Services**
Concerns about road capacity, water/sewer, and ensuring services can support any future growth.
- **Desire for Transparency & Continued Engagement**
Residents want to stay involved and understand how input will shape decisions.

From Phase 1 to Phase 2



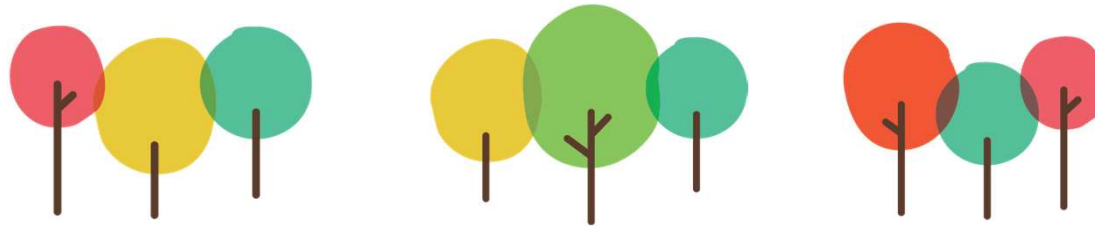
What we heard is guiding what we explore in Phase 2.

- In Round 1, you shared what matters most — protecting farmland, maintaining community character, supporting smart growth, and meeting local housing needs.
- Now, building on this, and past planning initiatives, we have three preliminary growth scenarios to share, discuss, and collect feedback on.
- These are not final plans — they are starting points for discussion, designed to explore different possibilities for Greenwich's future.
- **As we move forward, we want to know:**
 - Which ideas resonate with you?
 - What concerns you?
 - What do we need to keep in mind as we plan ahead?



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Preliminary Growth Scenarios



Preliminary Growth Scenarios



Typical to provide options in community engagement

- Acts as a starting point
- End result may be different

Advantages and Disadvantages to all options

Preliminary Growth Options

Option 1

Represents status quo

- Advantages:
 - Preserves largest amount of agricultural land
- Disadvantages
 - Results in inefficient use of infrastructure
 - Limited development opportunities

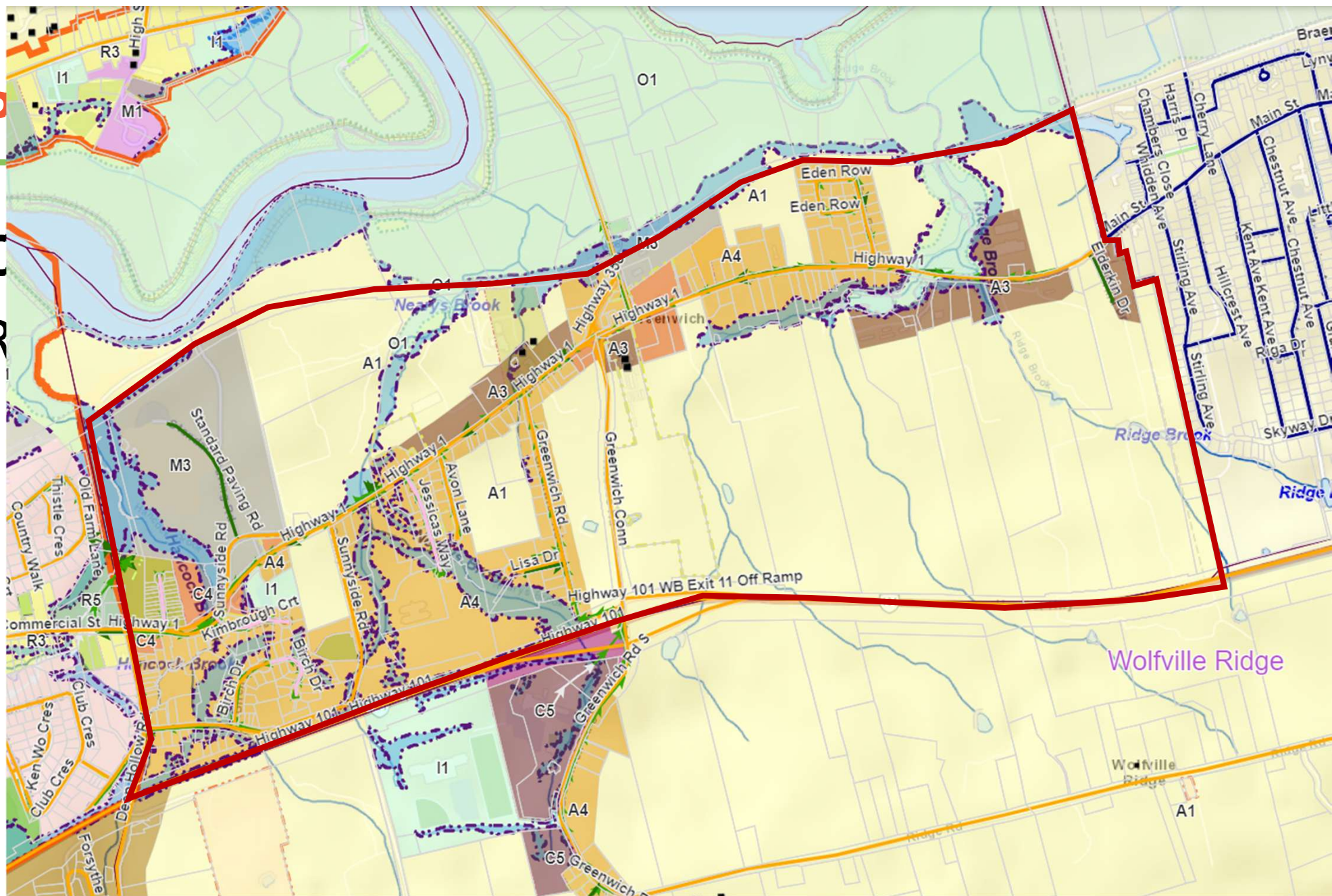
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Preliminary Growth Options



Option 2

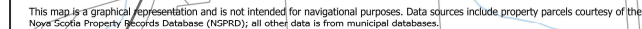
Applies roughly to developed area with some room for additional expansion

Advantages:

- Additional flexibility in developed areas
- Opportunities for intensification and small expansion
- Better use of existing infrastructure

Disadvantages:

- Enables ribbon development
- Potential loss of agricultural land





Option 2

June 25th, 2025

Village of
Port Williams

Cornwallis River

- Option 2
- Property Boundary
- Town/Village
- Waterbody
- Road
- Watercourse

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Preliminary Growth Options

Option 3

Applies to developed area only

Advantages:

- Provides opportunities for intensification
- Best option for efficient delivery of services
- Minimizes ribbon development
- Minimizes loss of farmland

Disadvantages:

- Small amount of land for expansion included

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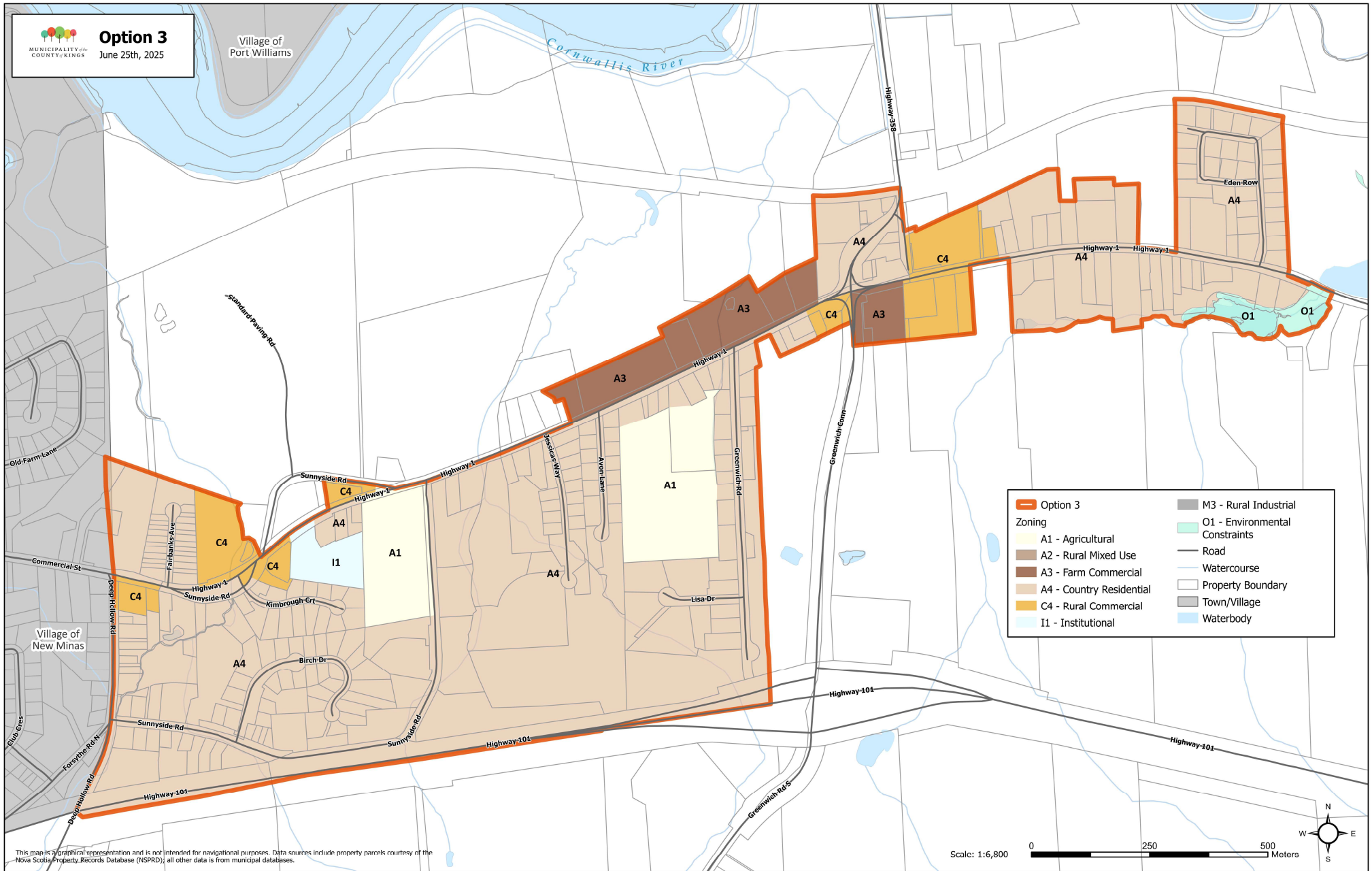


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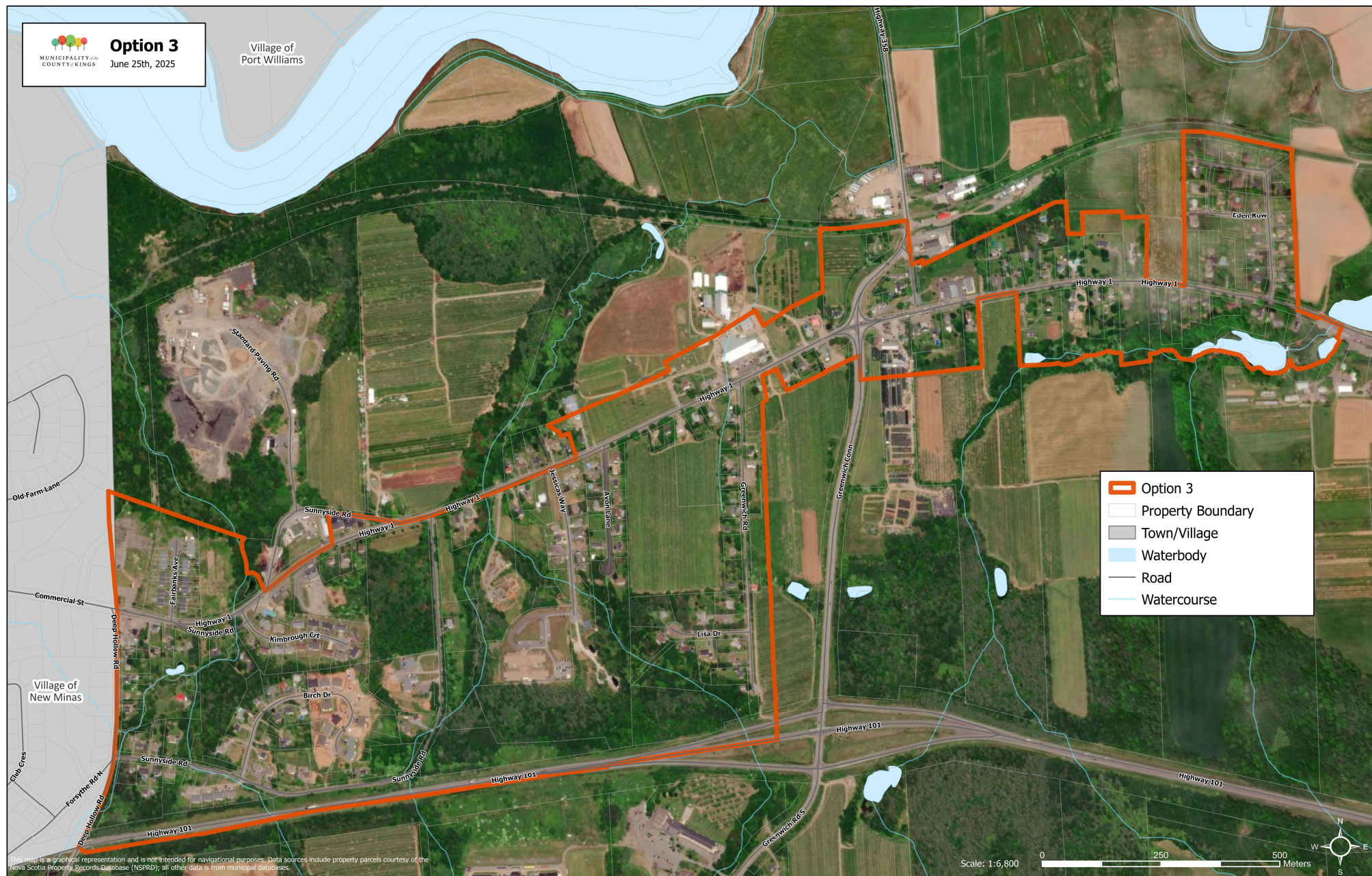
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What's Next



- **Phase 3 (September 17, 2025):** We'll return to share how your input was reflected and check back in any changes to proposed growth plans.
- **Online Survey Open Until July 11:** Please complete it to ensure your voice is captured!
- Stay connected through our project webpage:
countyofkings.ca/growinggreenwich

Open House – Feedback Stations

Stations:

1. Option 1
2. Option 2
3. Option 3
4. Deep Dive – Housing & Services



How This Works



1. Visit all Feedback Stations on your own time, stay as long as you like!
2. Share your feedback using Feedback Frames, handouts, and maps
3. Leave your feedback to be collected by facilitator

Thank You!



Thank You for Participating

Your insights tonight are helping shape the future of Greenwich. We appreciate your time, ideas, and thoughtful contributions.

How Your Feedback Will Be Used

- Feedback from this workshop and the online survey will be carefully reviewed.
- Themes and priorities will help refine planning directions and potential growth options.
- A summary of what we heard will be shared in the coming weeks.