

Urban Tree Canopy Plan (UTCP)

Public Meeting

Bruce County Museum & Cultural Centre
Thursday, May 23rd from 6:00 pm- 8:00 pm



Please ensure to sign in at station 1

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Land Acknowledgement

We acknowledge that we are meeting on the traditional lands and treaty territory of the Saugeen Ojibway Nation, which consists of the Chippewas of Saugeen and the Chippewas of Nawash Unceded First Nation.

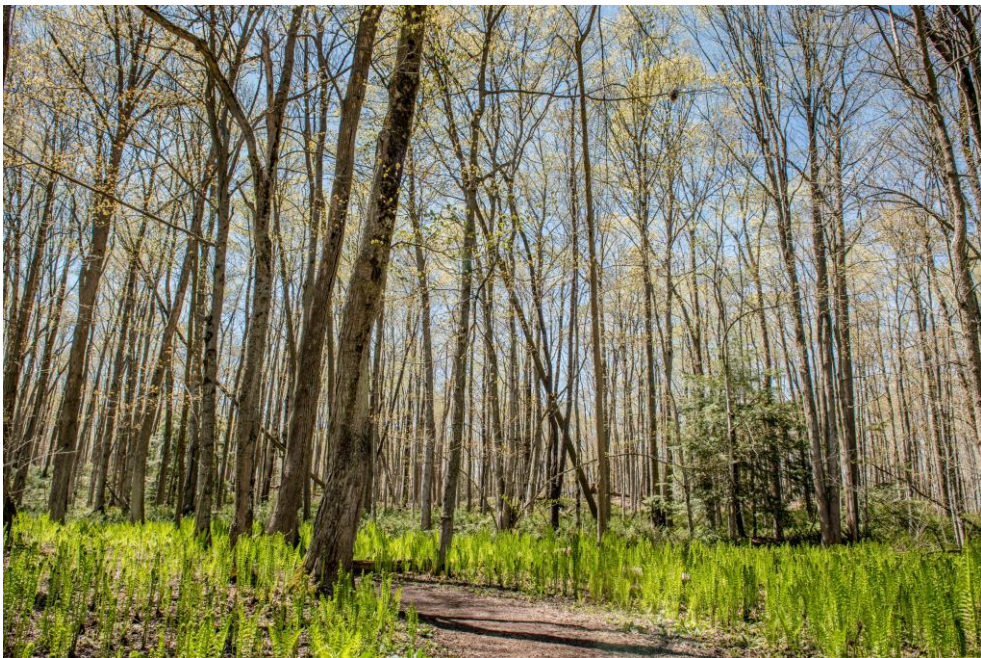
We understand this land holds immense significance to the people of Saugeen Ojibway Nation. We appreciate those who live and work alongside us today and who continue the traditions of their ancestors as stewards of the land we are privileged to inhabit. We thank them for the contributions they have made in both caring for the land and in shaping this community.

We commit to truth and reconciliation. To acknowledging the truth about what happened to Indigenous peoples because of colonization, and to reconciliation – which begins with each and every one of us.

As a local government and public organization, we are dedicated to learning about Indigenous culture, to fostering a better relationship with First Nations and their people, and we commit ourselves to actions that move us forward on a path to healing along with the Saugeen Ojibway Nation.

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Welcome



Planning and Development Services –

- Jay Pausner, Manager of Planning and Development
- Kristen Sears, Planning Policy Coordinator

Williams & Associates Forestry Consulting Ltd –

- Peter Williams, Senior Forester & Project Manager
- Luke Kastelic, Registered Professional Forester
- Sheila Mayer, Graphic Design & Communications

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Public Meeting Agenda

1. Land Acknowledgement
2. Welcome
3. Purpose and Introduction
4. Urban Tree Canopy Plan Progress
5. What's next?
6. Questions
7. Stations Overview



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Purpose of today's meeting is to:

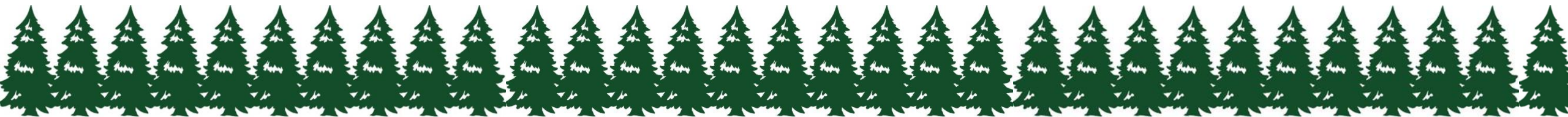
- Provide you with information regarding the current findings and developments of the UTCP
- Provide an opportunity for you to further comment and ask questions regarding ongoing developments of the UTCP to ensure it meets the needs of our community.

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Introduction

Tree Canopy means the layer of tree leaves, branches and stems that cover the ground when viewed from above.

Urban Tree Canopy Plan was recommended by the Environmental Stewardship Ad-Hoc Advisory Committee (ESAC) and was included in the Business Plan that the Town of Saugeen Shores create to address tree canopy management on both public and private lands within the settlement area boundary.



Urban Tree Canopy Plan (UTCPlan)

Objectives of the Urban Tree Canopy Plan:

- Assess current canopy cover in Saugeen Shores;
- Identify improvements that can be made to existing Town Policies and practices to better manage trees in Saugeen Shores; and
- Develop a Plan to better grow and monitor quality canopy cover in Saugeen Shores.



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The UTCP will cover these topics:

- Municipal Tree Condition Assessment
- Canopy Cover Assessment
- Tree By-law
- Tree Policy Update
- Tree Planting Program(s)
- Other Recommendations

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Urban Tree Canopy Progress

Municipal Tree Condition Assessment

- Objective:
Assess tree health and maintenance procedures with recommendations
- It was found that Municipal trees were healthy and well-maintained



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Urban Tree Canopy Progress

Canopy Cover Analysis Report Completed

- Objective:
Assess canopy coverage and plantable space with recommendations
- Saugeen Shores has a significant canopy cover at approximately 39.6%



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Urban Tree Canopy Progress

Review Town Policies

- Objective:
Review how trees are currently considered in existing Town policies
 - Specify professionals authorized to approve Tree Protection Plans
 - Address replacement trees and to scale



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Urban Tree Canopy Progress

Tree By-law

- Objective:
Development of a Tree Cutting By-Law to protect and manage trees on private lands
 - Identify the application to which the By-law applies to on private lands and if it should address public lands

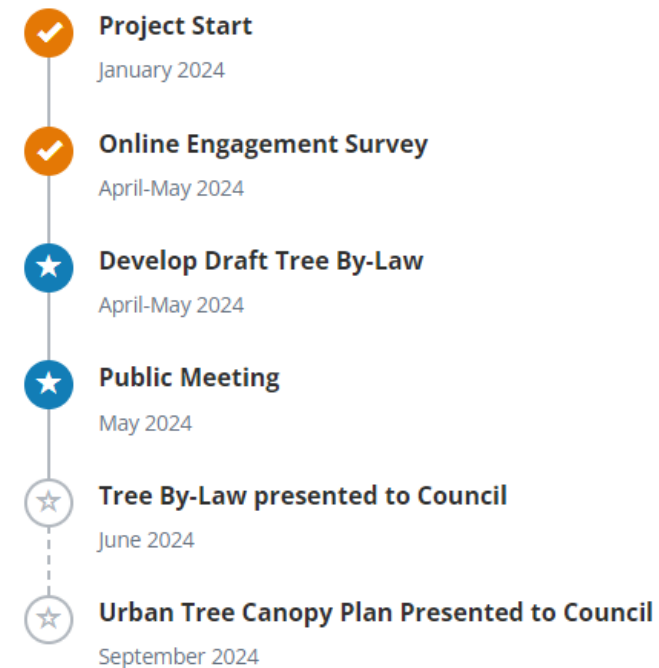


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What's Next?

- Assess information received through online survey and today's meeting
- Prepare Tree By-law
- Prepare Urban Tree Canopy Plan

Timeline



Thank you



Questions



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Stations Overview

○ STATION 1

- UTCP Vision and Objectives
- In-person Survey
- Public Meeting Evaluation Form

○ STATION 2

- Tree By-law
- Tree Policy Review

○ STATION 3

- Tree Health Assessment
- Tree Inventory Summary
- Canopy Cover Analysis Summary

○ STATION 4

- Tree Awareness
- In-person Survey Submission
- Public Meeting Evaluation Form Submission