



Improving  
the quality  
of life for the  
citizens of  
**Newton**





Surrey continues to thrive  
as a leader in the region.





## Message from the Mayor

As Surrey's population continues to grow and the city evolves into a metropolitan centre, we are implementing a number of programs and initiatives to ensure that our neighborhoods remain vibrant, safe and sustainable, and Surrey continues to thrive as a leader in the region.

We are investing in a number of new infrastructure and community enhancement projects in Newton and will continue to improve the quality of life for people living and working in the area. Newton will become home to new recreation opportunities, residential and business development, community safety initiatives, and transit options.

The future lives here in our city, and investing in Newton is an integral part of creating a truly livable, modern Surrey.

Sincerely,

Dianne L. Watts, Mayor

Surrey Lake

# Build Newton

As our communities continue to grow, more civic facilities are needed to serve our citizens and businesses. The City of Surrey is implementing the Build Surrey program of capital projects to position the city for a prosperous future. Over the next six years, many new projects will be built in Newton to provide residents with world-class facilities and manage growth over the next decade.



New Fitness Facility at Newton Recreation Centre/Wave Pool



Newton Athletic Park



### New Turf Field and Amenities at Newton Athletic Park

In partnership with Kwantlen Polytechnic University, the City will install a new artificial turf field that will include grand stand seating for 500 people, lighting for night use, and a digital score board and game clock. The park will be enhanced with new recreational amenities including volleyball courts, children's play area and additional parking.

### New Turf Field at Tamanawis Park

A second artificial turf field will be installed at Tamanawis Park that will provide additional field hockey capacity to meet the growing demand in this area.

### New Cricket Field at West Newton Community Park

This community park will be developed to support the rapidly growing population in the West Newton community, with new recreational amenities, including a cricket field.

### New Fitness Facility at Newton Recreation Centre/ Wave Pool

A new gymnasium and mat room has been added to the Newton Wave Pool. This space will offer a variety of new active programs for the community. Renovations to the Recreation Centre improved the community hall space and preschool. A new, larger, more modern fitness facility is also planned to be added to meet the growing demands of Newton's growing population.



Newton Wave Pool

## Newton Cultural Centre

The decommissioned Newton Fire Hall #10 has been converted into the new Newton Cultural Centre. The Surrey Arts Council will move into the facility in July 2010. The facility will offer a central meeting location for artist and art groups as well as a variety of programs, exhibits and rehearsal spaces.

## New Police Station

A new Newton District Police Station will be built near the new Newton Transit Exchange to provide enhanced policing coverage for Newton Town Centre.

## Pre-Trial Services Centre Expansion

Surrey is partnering with the Province to expand the Surrey Pre-trial Services Centre to address the need for greater capacity.

## Main RCMP Detachment Expansion

The Main RCMP Detachment Building is undergoing an 35,000 sq. ft. expansion, benefiting the entire city by creating more space to accommodate the expanded police force serving Surrey's growing population and business sector.

## New Transit Exchange

The Newton Transit Exchange will be relocated to King George Boulevard south of 72 Avenue to accommodate the growing transit ridership in and through Newton. The new location will bring people into Newton Town Centre so they can take advantage of all the area has to offer, while creating a vibrant pedestrian-oriented environment. The location has been chosen to enable efficient and convenient integration with Rapid Transit along King George Boulevard and will be able to accommodate 18,000 passengers per day.





Fire Hall 10



Main RCMP Detachment Expansion



Newton Cultural Centre



Utility Kiosk Wrap



## Focus on Walking

In support of the growing retail and residential development within the Newton Town Centre, the City has programmed pedestrian infrastructure improvements to facilitate safe and convenient walking routes throughout the area. The upgrades will improve pedestrian letdowns at crossing locations and add two new enhanced crosswalk facilities. These improvements were identified through a comprehensive review of all the sidewalk and pedestrian crossings within the Newton Town Centre area.

## Beautification Initiatives

Large planters filled with flowers will be installed in the Town Centre. Decorative wraps will be applied to utility kiosks to deter graffiti. During the winter months, seasonal lighting installed along 72nd Ave. between King George and 138 St will be enhanced.

## Unwin Park

A new water spray park and picnic shelters are being constructed in Unwin Park

## T.E. Scott Neighbourhood Park

A new TE Scott Neighbourhood Park is being developed and construction will begin in 2011.

## Tree Planting

360 shade trees will be planted in existing Parks in Newton.



# Get involved and be part of Newton's future!

**Community Beautification Grants** New grant resources are available to Newton residents & community groups for neighbourhood revitalization, graffiti mitigation and beautification through the Community Enhancement Partnership Program (CEPP). Visit [www.surrey.ca/citybeautification](http://www.surrey.ca/citybeautification)

**Volunteer Opportunities** There are hundreds of ways to get involved in your community through volunteering. For more information on our Partners In Parks Program, Community Recreation, and many other volunteer opportunities in your neighbourhood visit [www.volunteer.surrey.ca](http://www.volunteer.surrey.ca)



New Town Centre  
Concept Plan



# New Town Centre

We are creating a new Town Centre in Newton! The neighbourhood will include enhanced transit, recreation and civic facilities, as well as high-density residential and commercial development, public open spaces and a vibrant Main Street that will create a high quality, sustainable urban centre.



The guiding principles of the Town Centre are:

## **1. Embrace Transit as a Mobility**

**Option** Transit can be the biggest catalyst for redevelopment, providing a mobility option for all users. The Transit station should be integrated into the overall framework of development and highlighted as a key civic place.

**2. Integrate Civic Amenities into the fabric of the Town Centre** Civic amenities should be woven through the Town Centre and used as focal points as redevelopment occurs.

**3. Leverage Public Investments** The investments made by public entities should be leveraged to encourage not only new civic investments such as parks, but private investments as well.

## **4. Improve Connectivity and Create Livable Transportation Solutions**

Opportunity exists to increase the overall network throughout the area with new streets, trails and sidewalks.

## **5. Redesign the Environment for the Pedestrian**

The pedestrian should be the first priority as redevelopment of the site occurs. This includes wide sidewalks and ample pedestrian amenities such as benches and lighting.

## **6. Preserve, Enhance and Utilize Open Spaces**

The two key open spaces within the area are currently underutilized. Buildings should front these open spaces and the possibilities for programming these spaces with restored habitat, trails and connectivity should be explored.

## **7. Expand Neighbourhoods Towards the Town Centre**

Preserve and enhance existing neighbourhoods by including new transit oriented development which transitions to the surrounding neighbourhoods.

## **8. Increase Market Confidence**

Public infrastructure investments, new development strategies and an open public dialogue can begin to lay the foundation for future investments in the Newton Town Centre.

# Supporting Newton's Business Community

Surrey is proud to be home to a strong and growing local economy – thanks in great part to the expertise and committed efforts of our business community. The Newton business community represents significant portion of all business in Surrey, making your local businesses significant contributors to Surrey's economic health, local job creation and overall quality of life.





## Business Retention and Expansion (BR&E) program

The City continues to support and encourage a healthy, sustainable business climate through a variety of community-based initiatives, including our Business Retention and Expansion (BR&E) program. The program is designed to facilitate proactive outreach to business owners to assist in ensuring that they are being properly informed and served by the City and other partners while providing networking and learning opportunities along with valuable resource and referral information.

Through the Business Visitation component of the BR&E program, City Economic Development staff meets one-on-one with Newton business owners to discuss their operations and identify any issues that may be an impediment to their business viability and growth.

Outreach from the City to businesses will be enhanced with the introduction of a business-focused e-newsletter entitled 'Business Matters'. The first edition of this newsletter will be distributed in June and will feature highlights of what's happening in Surrey related to business and economic development.



## Get Involved!

To get involved and learn more about business related initiatives and events, how to start a business, the many advantages of doing business and investing in Surrey and much more, please visit the City website at [www.surrey.ca](http://www.surrey.ca) and click on the '*Doing Business*' link or email us at [econdev@surrey.ca](mailto:econdev@surrey.ca)

# Enhancing Community Safety

The City has developed a comprehensive, balanced approach to addressing the root causes of crime and criminal behaviour through its Crime Reduction Strategy and is continually seeking to implement new and innovative programs that will improve the quality of life for the citizens of Surrey.



# Surrey's Crime Reduction Strategy

**The City of Surrey's Crime Reduction Strategy is focused on four primary objectives:**

1. Reduce crime and increase community safety
2. Increase public involvement in reducing crime
3. Increase integration between all stakeholders involved in crime reduction
4. Improve public awareness around the reality and perception of crime

## Get Involved and Make a Difference!

Join the Surrey **RCMP Block Watch** program:  
604-599-7601 or [www.surrey.rcmp.ca](http://www.surrey.rcmp.ca)

Become a volunteer with the **Surrey Crime Prevention Society**  
go to [www.surreycrime.bc.ca](http://www.surreycrime.bc.ca) or call 604-502-8555

If you want more information about **Surrey community safety**,  
please email [crimereduction@surrey.ca](mailto:crimereduction@surrey.ca)

## Community Safety Officers

The City hired 10 Community Safety Officers to work with residents and businesses and promote community safety programs and services.

## Surrey Crime Prevention Society

The City partners with the Surrey Crime Prevention Society (SCPS) to develop unique community-based approaches to safety. SCPS has contributed over 2500 hours to Newton in the first six months of 2010. Some of the projects underway include:

- Graffiti prevention and removal
- Foot, bike and vehicle patrols
- Litter clean-up

## Problem Solving

The Surrey RCMP has assigned a team of officers to deal specifically with the issues raised by the citizens and businesses in Newton. The RCMP also established the Newton Integrated Services Team (NIST). The group meets monthly to monitor issues and develop strategies to enhance community safety. Members of NIST include:

- The City of Surrey
- RCMP
- Surrey Fire Services
- Surrey Crime Prevention Society
- ICBC
- Business representatives
- Community stakeholders

## Beautifying the Neighbourhood

Beautification is key to a safe environment. Some of the initiatives underway include:

- Banner replacement
- Graffiti prevention and removal program
- Greening the community through decorative planters, flower beds and tree planting
- Seasonal lighting displays
- New grant resources available for beautification efforts through the Community Enhancement Partnership Program (CEPP)

## Citizens Making a Difference

The Citizens Making a Difference project is being piloted in Newton and involves promoting safety programs and citizen participation in community safety. Some of the initiatives include:

- Litter clean-up
- Community outreach
- Block Watch
- City Watch: Surrey employees being the eyes and ears in the community

## Businesses Working Together

The Newton Business Safety and Security Network encourages businesses to work together to address common issues.



MAYOR  
DIANNE WATTS

## City of Surrey Mayor and Council



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