

Happy Holidays!

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New Glasgow Now



A MESSAGE FROM MAYOR NANCY DICKS:

Welcome to the December 2022 issue of New Glasgow Now. November was an exciting month as I joined the Honourable Sean Fraser, Minister of Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship and Member of Parliament for Central Nova, the Honourable Pat Dunn, Minister of Communities, Culture, Tourism and Heritage, and Councillor Clyde Fraser in announcing over \$5.9 million in funding for the accessibility retrofit and revitalization of the New Glasgow Library. This project is sure to bring people together to learn, socialize, and make connections, moving our region and its residents forward. I can't wait to see the amazing things that will come out of this space for generations to come.



It's hard to believe that the holiday season is upon us and 2022 is soon coming to an end. The holiday season is a special time to slow down and spend time with loved ones. It is also a time to look forward to the promise that 2023 brings. I want to thank everyone who came out to the Christmas Tree lighting at Glasgow Square. It was a great way to kick off the holiday season and I hope you all took the opportunity afterwards to stop by the Farmer's Market to support local vendors and take in Evergreen Festival Pictou County. If not, you still have the chance to on December 7th and December 21st from 4:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.



I encourage you all to get out to some of the many exciting events happening over the next month such as the upcoming New Glasgow Fire Department Santa Claus Parade on December 10th at 5:30 p.m., and the many festive shows coming up at Glasgow Square. These events bring our community together with music, lights, and lots of family fun. I also encourage you to take some time to visit the many wonderful local business that call Downtown New Glasgow home. Shopping local this time of year is one of the best ways to support your friends, your neighbours, and your community this holiday season.

Together with my Council colleagues, our CAO, and the staff at the Town of New Glasgow - and from my family to yours - I extend warm wishes for a safe and happy holiday season, as well as a healthy and prosperous New Year.

Sincerely,

Mayor Nancy Dicks

IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

Town Hall:
902-755-7788

Engineering & Public Works:
902-755-8351

After Hours Public Works:
902-755-4208

Recreation Field Hotline:
902-755-0214

NGRP Non-Emergency Line:
902-752-1941

NG Fire & Police Emergency Department:
911

Nova Scotia 211 - Community & Social Services:
211

DECEMBER 2022 PROCLAMATIONS

International Day for Persons with Disabilities
December 3
International Human Rights Day
December 10



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DOWNTOWN HOLIDAY PARKING BY DONATION

The Town of New Glasgow is offering 3-hour metered parking by donation in the Downtown core for the month of December as customers and local businesses get started on their holiday shopping.

Any funds collected through the meters in the month of December will be donated to the Pictou County Fuel Fund.

Glasgow Square parking lot is also free for customer parking and employees in Downtown New Glasgow are encouraged to park in the free parking lot near the Farmers Market.

**THANK YOU FOR
SHOPPING LOCAL!**

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES/EVENTS

Adult Craft Connection

Thursday, December 8

11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Ward One Community Centre (487 Brother Street)

For more information, please call 902-752-7691

Evergreen Festival Pictou County & Weeknight Market

New Glasgow Farmer's Market (261 Glasgow Street)

Wednesday, December 7

Wednesday, December 21

4:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

A bi-weekly outdoor celebration of culture, food, and art with free hot chocolate, s'mores, movies, and fire pits.

A Pictou County Musical Christmas

Glasgow Square (155 Riverside Parkway)

Friday, December 9 @ 6:30 p.m.

visit decostecentre.ca to buy tickets

New Glasgow Library Holiday Party

Saturday, December 10 @ 10:30 a.m.

New Glasgow Public Library (182 Dalhousie Street)

For more information, please call 902-752-8233.

Mixed Darts

Saturday, December 10

Saturday, December 17

11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Ward One Community Centre (487 Brother Street)

For more information, please call 902-752-7691

New Glasgow Fire Department Santa Claus Parade

December 10 @ 5:30 p.m.

The New Glasgow Fire Department is pleased to be bringing back the Santa Claus Parade. Parade Route starts on Granville Street, then moves to the East River Road, continuing onto Archimedes Street then Provost Street.

"In Full Voice", NFB Film Club at the Library

Thursday, December 15

6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

New Glasgow Public Library (182 Dalhousie Street)

For more information, please call 902-752-8233.

Home for the Holidays: A festive evening featuring classic songs and more

December 17 @ 7:00 p.m. (doors open @ 6:00 p.m.)

Glasgow Square (155 Riverside Parkway)

Visit glasgowssquare.com or call 902-752-4800 to buy tickets.

Christmas at the Square with Brenna Conrad, Marcel d'Entremont and Heather Price

Wednesday, December 21 @ 7:00 p.m. (doors open @ 7:30 p.m.)

Glasgow Square (155 Riverside Parkway)

Visit glasgowssquare.com or call 902-752-4800 to buy tickets.

A Big Band Christmas with the NNEC Alumni Big Band

Glasgow Square (155 Riverside Parkway)

Thursday, December 22 @ 8:00 p.m. (doors open @ 7:00 p.m.)

Visit glasgowssquare.com or call 902-752-4800 to buy tickets.

"The Days Before Christmas", a Classic NFB film

New Glasgow Public Library (182 Dalhousie Street)

Thursday, December 22

2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., and 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

For more information, please call 902-752-8233.

Kid's Holiday Movie Matinee

Wednesday, December 28 @ 2:00 p.m.

New Glasgow Public Library (182 Dalhousie Street)

For more information, please call 902-752-8233.

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

NEW GLASGOW LIBRARY

Programs are all at the New Glasgow Public Library, 182 Dalhousie Street.

For more information and to register, please call 902-752-8233.

Knitting Circle (drop-in)

Monday, December 5, 12, 19

2:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Join us for some stitching and some conversation at the Community Room of the New Glasgow Library.

After School LEGO Time

Tuesdays @ 3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Thursdays @ 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Drop in on Tuesdays and Thursdays to play with our LEGO! All ages are welcome.

ABCs for Babies

Wednesday, December 7

Wednesday, December 14

10:15 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

ABCs for Babies (for ages 0-18 months) returns to the New Glasgow Library! Join us for songs and stories!

*Weekly registration is required as space is limited.

LEGO Time

Tuesdays and Thursdays

10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Drop by the New Glasgow Library to play with our LEGO! All ages are welcome.

Family Story Time

Thursday, December 8, 15 @ 10:15 a.m.

Join us at the library for stories, songs and a craft to take home! (for ages 0 - 18 months).

Technology Training

Tuesdays @ 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Thursdays @ 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Need help navigating your new cellphone/tablet/laptop? Or maybe help using a computer in general? Call the library at 902-752-8233 to set up a one hour one-on-one appointment with our Technology Trainer.

Mark
YOUR
Calendar

THIS HOLIDAY SEASON

DOWNTOWN CHRISTMAS HOURS

Wednesday evenings in December stores will remain open until 7pm.

Pictou County FREE SKATES

TRENTON

Mon/Wed/Fri
12-1:30 (adult skate)
Friday
3:00-4:00

IVOR MACDONALD

Saturdays
4-5

HECTOR ARENA

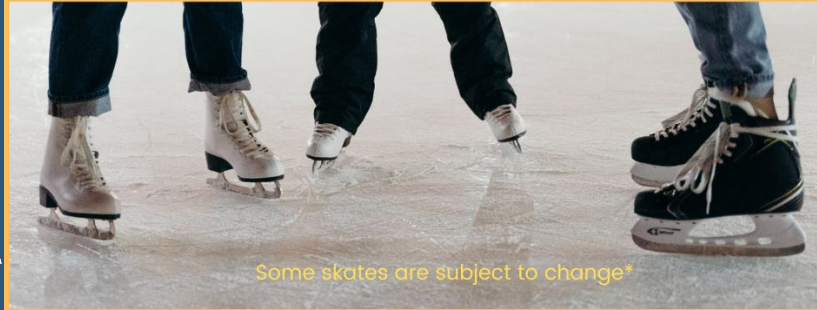
Sundays
9:30-10:40
Fridays
2:45-4:45

WESTVILLE

Sundays
5:30-6:30

WELLNESS CENTRE

Mon/Wed/Fri
9-10 (parent & tot)
10:30-3 (adult)
Sunday
9-10 (public skate)



Some skates are subject to change*



Town of New Glasgow Holiday Decorating Contest

To enter, fill out the entry form at newglasgow.ca and submit a photo of your decorated property. Winners will be chosen by online community vote. The winning properties will be announced after the holidays. Questions or looking to register? Contact marketing@newglasgow.ca



Scan Here to Register

RESIDENTIAL &
BUSINESS CATEGORIES

REGISTER BY
DEC 15TH AT 4:00PM

NOTICE:

WINTER PARKING REGULATIONS

Whereas due to the congestion on the streets and highways in the communities of New Glasgow and Trenton caused by vehicular and pedestrian traffic and the limitation on the free use of the streets liable to be caused by the presence of snow and ice thereon and notwithstanding that certain traffic signs have been erected in these communities prohibiting or permitting vehicles to park or stand upon any street during the hours stated thereon:

- (a) No person shall park or leave standing any vehicle upon any street in these communities between the hours of 01:00 a.m. and 07:00 a.m. of the same day.
- (b) No owner, driver or person having control or custody of any vehicle shall between the 1st day of December 2022 and the 1st day of April 2023, park or leave unattended by a person authorized to move and capable of operating the same upon any street in the above manner as to hinder, inconvenience or prevent removal or snow or ice from such highway or street.
- (c) No owner, driver or person having control or custody of any vehicle shall during the period from one hour after any snowstorm has commenced to two hours after such snowstorm has stopped, park the vehicle if it is unattended by a person authorized to move and capable of operating the same, upon any street in these communities.

Nothing in the foregoing shall apply to:

1. A motor vehicle of a physician or surgeon parked reasonably near his/her office or residence and immediately available for professional calls.
2. A motor vehicle parked by a physician or surgeon who is engaged in his/her professional occupation and reasonably near where he/she is so engaged.
3. A motor vehicle parked by an operator who is engaged in discharging his/her duties as a Police Officer or a member of the police or the armed services.
4. A motor vehicle parked by an operator who is engaged in discharging his/her duties as a member of a Fire Department.
5. A commercial vehicle parked by an operator for the purpose of loading or unloading merchandise.
6. A motor vehicle belonging to a public utility company or corporation parked reasonably near the residence of an operator and immediately available for emergency calls.

It shall be an offence for any person to fail to comply with these regulations and such person will be liable to a penalty as provided by Section 293 of the Motor Vehicle Act. In addition, under section 139 of the Nova Scotia Motor Vehicle Act, tickets can be issued and vehicles can be towed any time, day or night, if they are parked in a way that interferes with snow clearing.

No person shall remove or permit to be removed snow or ice from a property onto a public street, sidewalk, or other public place.

Businesses are reminded that it is your responsibility to remove all snow and ice from the sidewalk abutting their property including the street corner.

Chief Stephen Chisholm
TRAFFIC AUTHORITY
Town of New Glasgow & Trenton

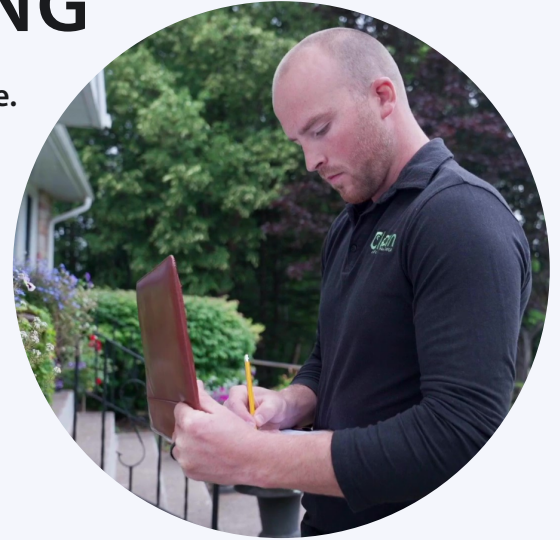
HOW A HOME ENERGY ASSESSMENT WORKS FOR CLEAN ENERGY FINANCING



Learn more about getting a home energy assessment in your home.

The Town of New Glasgow has been running the Clean Energy Financing Program since its launch in 2021. The Town of New Glasgow's Clean Energy Financing Program is in partnership with the Clean Foundation and supports homeowners by making home energy upgrades easy and affordable. The program provides a Certified Home Energy Assessment, expert consultation, and financing to help homeowners make the right choices to improve the comfort and value of their homes and reduce their energy bills.

One of the first steps in the Clean Energy Financing (CEF) process is a Home Energy Assessment (HEA). Many Nova Scotians have heard of these assessments, but what do the Clean Foundation's Energy Advisors do and what are they looking for? This quick guide will help you get ready for a HEA and show you what to expect.



Why does Clean Energy Financing need a Home Energy Assessment?

A HEA produces a report that shows how you can save money on your energy costs. This helps the Energy Advisor understand the home's current energy usage and provide the best possible advice for upgrades. It also helps you understand what upgrades will make the biggest difference to your home and energy bills, why they recommend specific upgrades and how provincial and federal rebates can be accessed.

What happens when they arrive at your home?

When the Energy Advisor arrives at your home, they'll greet you and give you a run down on the HEA process and what they'll be looking out for. Of course, they'll also do a quick check of the property for any potential safety hazards before they move on with any detailed inspection. Next, the Advisor will inspect the exterior of the home and measure features such as doors, windows and the length of the foundation. All of this data helps to build a profile of the home for them to analyze.

What does an Energy Advisor look for inside your home?

The inspection of the inside of your home is comprehensive, starting from the bottom working up to the top. The Energy Advisor will take a lot of photos and measurements of all the mechanical systems in the home, like any heating and cooling systems and hot water cylinders. They'll also measure the insulation thickness and note the construction of the walls so they can rebuild an accurate model of the home digitally. They'll run a blower door test where they use a fan placed in the main door to check where air enters and leaves the home.

What happens next?

After they've assessed your home, the Energy Advisor will create a digital profile of the property to understand where there's room for improvement and which upgrades could make a difference. For Clean Energy Financing, they'll also ensure you're informed of the rebates that are available for your specific upgrades. During a home assessment for CEF the Energy Advisor will also collect any additional information you are willing to share such as utility and fuel costs that will help in determining the payback ratio of the upgrades.

Learn more about the program by visiting CleanEnergyFinancing.ca or call 1-844-727-7818.

PERMITS IN THE TOWN OF NEW GLASGOW



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Who is responsible for collecting/approving permits in New Glasgow?

Planning and Development Services are responsible for construction approvals relative to new construction, renovation, alteration, repair, plumbing and electrical to ensure all projects meet the requirements of the National Building Code of Canada and its accompanying documents. There are also additional requirements contained in the Nova Scotia Building Code Regulations pertaining to Letters of Undertaking, Sprinkler Requirements, and aspects of Barrier-Free Design that are enforced.

What are building permits required for?

Building permits are required for:

- New building construction
- Structural change
- Building Demolition
- Building Relocation
- Change of occupancy or use
- Swimming Pools (deeper than 24 inches/60cm)
- Building repairs or renovations
- Interior alterations
- Accessory buildings
- Decks and stairs
- Roof enclosure over an existing or new deck

What are building permits not required for?

Building permits are not required for:

- Fences less than 2m (6.6ft) in height
- Cosmetic repairs such as paint or minor repairs to exterior finishes
- Replacing doors and windows in existing openings; unless the structure is altered
- Replacing roofing, unless the structure is altered
- Replacing siding

What stages of construction are building inspections required for?

Inspections are required at the following stages of construction:

- Footings
- Pre-backfill
- Prior to covering any framing and/or plumbing
- Pre-drywall
- Prior to any use or occupancy

MORE QUESTIONS?

Call: 902-755-8351
or email: inquiries@newglasgow.ca

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