

**Presentation to
Priorities Committee
October 17th, 2007
Dr. Edgar Leclair
Community Centre**

Rayside-Balfour CAN History

- Interest Group Meeting held January 17, 2005
 - Established boundaries, identified community leaders, agreement to proceed
- Steering Committee Meeting held February 17, 2005
 - Develop principles and values, identify critical issues facing the community
- Strategic Visioning Session held February 26, 2005
 - Developed short, mid and long term goals
- Inaugural Meeting held April 5, 2005

Rayside-Balfour CAN Purpose

- To serve as a neighborhood resource for community development and as a source of information and feedback to City Council and municipal staff thus enhancing the quality of life for Rayside Balfour residents.



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Rayside-Balfour CAN Roles

- To be a contact point between citizens and Councillors and municipal staff
- To promote community initiatives
- To provide information to the community
- To provide direction, guidance and support to project groups and volunteers
- To represent and determine community needs
- To ensure the quality of projects under the CAN umbrella

Rayside-Balfour CAN Members

- Carole Champagne (Chair)
- Warren Maskell (Vice-Chair)
- Eric Fenton (Treasurer)
- Léna Laberge (Secretary)
- Councillor Claude Berthiaume
- Councillor Evelyn Dutrisac
- Julie Collie
- David Muldoon
- Richard Paquette
- Pauline Pasierowski
- Stan Pasierowski
- Mike Soenens
- Jeff Pafford (CGS Liaison)
- Hally Willmott (GSPS Liaison)



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Working Sub Committees

- Marketing/Communications
- Inventory of Resources/Services
- Environmental
- Youth Services
- Trail Development
- Beautification
- Grant Opportunities

Success Stories

- Adopt A Road Program
 - Clean up of 3.8 km section of Municipal Road 35
 - Clean up conducted twice per year
 - Partnership with Chelmsford Valley District Composite School students



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Success Stories

- Whitewater Lake Shoreline Cleanup
 - Part of the National “Great Canadian Shoreline Cleanup” campaign
 - Successful in application to CGS Lake Stewardship Program



Success Stories

- Seasonal Banners
 - Located throughout Azilda (Notre Dame) and Chelmsford (Errington)
 - Winter/Christmas banners
 - Spring/Summer banners



Success Stories

- Spreading the word about Rayside-Balfour CAN
 - Website - www.mysudbury.ca/RBCAN
 - Newsletters & Flyers
 - Articles in local Papers



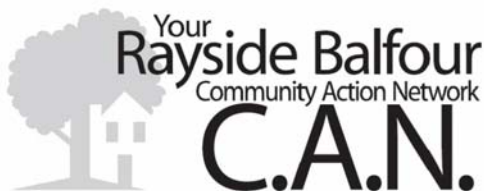
Success Stories

- Support for Local Events
 - Participation in Chelmsford Lions Western Days
 - Partner with Azilda Let Them Be Kids initiative



Community Needs Survey

- The Rayside-Balfour CAN conducted a community needs survey during the 2007 Chelmsford Western Days
- The purpose of the survey was to understand the needs of Rayside-Balfour residents and to confirm if the CAN was working in the right direction.
- Close to 300 responses were received



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How important are the following issues to you?

- Developing non-motorized trails?
 - 62% very important, 31% somewhat important, 7% not important
- Improving environment and beautification
 - 79% very important, 20% somewhat important, 1% not important
- More activities for local youth
 - 94% very important, 6% somewhat important
- Better communication for local groups and events?
 - 71% very important, 28% somewhat important, 1% not important
- Better utilization of local recreational facilities?
 - 81% very important, 18% somewhat important, 1% not important

What are other improvements you would like in Rayside Balfour?

- More activities for youth and seniors 19%
- Pool/recreation centre 14%
- Improved roads and sidewalks 13%
- Improved environment & beautification 10%
- More walking and biking trails 4%
- Address ATV issues 4%
- Arena improvements 4%
- Address accessibility issues 4%
- More community policing 2%

What are your concerns or issues as a resident of Rayside-Balfour?

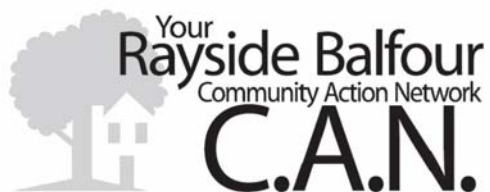
- Lack of activities 15%
- Policing 9%
- Environment 5%
- Roads 4%
- Economic development 3%
- Taxes 3%
- Pool 2%

Priorities

- Development of a splash pad
- Expanded skateboard park in Chelmsford
- Expand beautification efforts
 - New/additional banners
 - Planters
- Trail development
- Additional services for youth

Thank You!

We'd be happy to answer any questions you may have.



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