

## Strategic Directions for the Woodpark Community Association and Working Plan for 2025/26

**Vision** - The Woodpark Community Association seeks to represent and work for the members and residents of the Woodpark community. Our vision is to keep Woodpark a safe, liveable and well-served neighborhood, fostering a sense of community, promoting engagement, and enhancing the quality of life for all residents.

### Mission

- To develop and foster community spirit;
- To protect and enhance the quality of life throughout the community in terms of the built and non-built environment;
- To promote organized education, civic, emergency, environmental and other community endeavours;
- To keep residents of the community informed of all actions or proposed actions which could affect the community;
- To cooperate for mutual benefit with other organizations having similar objectives;
- To pursue such other complementary purposes not inconsistent with the above.

**Exclusions** - The Woodpark Community Association will not at any time sponsor or produce any material that would promote or oppose the candidacy of a person for elected office, or promote or oppose a campaign related to a question on the ballot, in accordance with the City of Ottawa's Election Related Resources Policy. This also applies to provincial and federal electoral campaigns.

Strategic Objective	Proposed Projects for 2025/2026	Timing	Who will lead
Engagement of residents in the work of the Woodpark Community Association	Determine Strategic Directions for the WCA and Priorities for 2025/26	Consult with Woodpark Residents in June/July 2025  Finalize in September 2025	Executive

	Develop an approach to welcome newcomers to the neighborhood and encourage them to sign up to become members of the WCA.	Fall 2025	Executive
	Continue to sign up Woodpark residents to become members of the WCA	Fall 2025	Executive
	Recruit and train volunteer (s) to help maintain the website	Ongoing	David
<b>Increase financial stability</b>	Encourage sponsorship by local businesses of WCA or its events/projects	Ongoing	Internal Services/Events Committee
<b>Develop and foster Community Spirit</b>	Organize 3-4 community events <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Garage sale - Spring</li> <li>• Give away day - Fall</li> <li>• Mural painting - June</li> <li>• Movie night in the park - Sept</li> <li>• Winter/Spring festival</li> </ul>		Events Committee
	Organize fall or spring clean up in New Orchard Park	Fall and/or Spring	Events Committee
	Provide leadership across four Community Associations for Holiday Giving Tree provide gifts to Long Term Care residents and other seniors	Oct, Nov, Dec	Sue
	Undertake project to capture the history of our neighbourhood and record the stories of some of the long term residents of Woodpark	Ongoing	David

<b>Advance projects to make Woodpark a more sustainable community</b>	Solicit members to participate on new Sustainability Committee	Ongoing	Chair, Sustainability Committee
	Monitor and provide input to tree planting/landscape restoration work along the LRT route (including Byron Linear Park and Lawn Ave Parkette) and continue to promote tree planting in Woodpark	Ongoing	Sustainability Committee  Infrastructure and Development Committee
	Promote best waste management practices in Woodpark - composting, metal recycling, other	Ongoing	Sustainability Committee
	Promote other sustainability opportunities for Woodparkers such as home energy efficiency programs	Ongoing	Sustainability Committee
<b>Monitor and promote awareness of development and infrastructure issues facing the community, seek views of residents/association members and actively promote concerns and proposed solutions with appropriate officials/developers etc as necessary.</b>	Monitor, promote awareness and raise concerns as necessary related to changes to the City of Ottawa's planning bylaws.	Ongoing	Infrastructure and Development Committee
	Advance with the City of Ottawa the need for an evaluation/audit of infrastructure (water, sewage, stormwater) in Woodpark given anticipated intensification.	Fall 2025	Infrastructure and Development Committee
	Work with City/NCC to obtain additional greenspace in Woodpark	Ongoing	Infrastructure and Development Committee  Sustainability Committee
	Provide information to the Woodpark Community about changes to the road	Ongoing	Infrastructure and Development Committee

	system arising from the LRT construction/Richmond Road Renewal and other road projects and advocate changes needed to address issues arising from these projects.		
	Work with residents to determine current traffic and pedestrian safety concerns and work with residents and the City to address these concerns	Ongoing	Infrastructure and Development Committee
	Work with residents to raise awareness of current parking restrictions and anticipated future pressures (LRT and Intensification) and determine and advocate for changes needed to address current and future parking issues.	Survey - Fall 2025	Infrastructure and Development Committee
	Seek views of residents on the bus service and advocate for changes to address problems.	Ongoing	Infrastructure and Development Committee