

# SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT PLAN



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## 1. PREAMBLE

Formerly known as the Green Municipal Plan, Council adopted, on March 10, 2014, the Sustainable Development Plan. The plan was adopted on the recommendations of the Environmental Advisory Committee and municipal staff.

Outlining a long-term vision, the Sustainable Development Plan addresses the key spheres of sustainable development, i.e. the environment, the economy and community living.

This plan highlights a series of priority areas as well as an action plan. The municipality is committed to taking measures for ensuring a development that is respectful of the environment, efficient from an economic standpoint and socially accepted within the community.

An update on the plan and any actions taken will be provided annually at a public meeting, and a report will be prepared.

## 2. DEFINITION

Recognized by the United Nations, sustainable development is a concept that first emerged in 1987 during a meeting of the World Commission on Environment and Development.

The Brundtland Report defines sustainable development as follows: “the development which meets the needs of current generations without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs.”

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<sup>1</sup> The Brundtland Report, Our Common Future: World Commission on Environment and Development, 1987.



### 3. SPHERES OF SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

Based on the above definition, the City of Dieppe identified the three following spheres of sustainable development:



**A. Community living** includes elements such as community services, community and recreational activities programming, heritage, food and nutrition, and health and wellness. This field fosters initiatives such as promoting a community that is inclusive, healthy and sustainable, affordable housing and poverty reduction.



**B. Economy** includes elements such as economic development, tourism, infrastructure and workforce. This field supports initiatives that promote the efficient use of natural resources, local economy, innovation as well as a resilient and diversified economy. From this standpoint, this pillar focuses on achieving a healthy balance between economic growth and our ecosystem.



**C. The environment** includes natural and urban areas. Within this context, the environment includes elements such as fauna, flora, geology, climate, air, energy, hydrographic systems, natural resources, natural and urban landscapes, as well as the exchange networks between these elements. This field of sustainable development supports initiatives such as the promotion of renewable energy, the reduction of fossil fuel consumption and greenhouse gas emissions, sustainable agriculture, tree planting, environmental footprint reduction, recycling and improved waste material management.

## 4. SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT PRIORITY AREAS

The Sustainable Development Plan identifies ten priority areas. The City of Dieppe will work at different levels in all priority areas. For each area, specific actions and results to be achieved will be determined, as well as an annual assessment for measuring the outcome of the plan.



**NATURAL  
AREAS**



**CLIMATE  
CHANGE**



**FOOD  
SAFETY**



**WASTE  
MATERIAL**



**WATER  
MANAGEMENT**



**ENERGY**



**TRANSPORTATION**



**INDUSTRY, INNOVATION  
AND INFRASTRUCTURE**



**AIR QUALITY  
MANAGEMENT**



**GOVERNANCE, PARTNERSHIPS  
AND MUNICIPAL INITIATIVES**



## 5. ACTION PLAN FOR IMPLEMENTATION

An action plan will be developed to determine the order of the actions to be carried out. This plan will be assessed and updated periodically.



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