

Sidewalk Policy

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Sidewalks V2

The Town of Eston Council has established a policy to determine the long-term locations for sidewalks within the community.

The accompanying map is included in this policy and acts as the official guide for the designated sidewalk maintenance or replacement areas.

Sidewalk Replacement and Upkeep

Where the sidewalk policy identifies sidewalks are to be kept long term, sidewalks will be maintained as budget and resources allow. Problem areas are to be identified and documented by the Director of Public Works and considered as part of annual planning.

- a. areas inspected and date
- b. observed defect and date
- c. work performed to repair, replace, move or mark the defect and date
- a. defects requiring follow up
- b. before and after photographs, if possible

Ideally, Council will allocate funds annually for some replacement and maintenance to occur, so that over a period of time all long-term sidewalks are brought up to a usable condition. Once all sidewalks are brought to what is deemed by Council to be an acceptable condition, it is recommended that a reserve fund be contributed to annually to plan for future maintenance and replacement.

Replacement or Remove

Where a resident wishes to replace or remove a sidewalk in a location that is **not** identified in the sidewalk plan, the resident must make application to Council including the rationale for the exception. These will be approved by Council on a case by case basis, with the motion to include required size, quality and any other details relevant to construction and maintenance. Generally speaking, exceptions will not be permitted without unique rationale, in order to keep a consistent look of boulevards on each block.

Some of the considering factors may be but not limited to:

- 1. Safety Concerns
- 2. The look of the boulevards on that block, to keep consistency and look
- 3. Budget and time constraints

