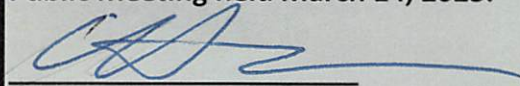


MUNICIPALITY OF THE COUNTY OF  
**ANTIGONISH**

**TOPIC:** Public Participation Program Regarding Engagement with Abutting Municipalities  
**POLICY NUMBER:** 50  
**DATE APPROVED:** March 14, 2023 (Min#2023-025)  
**DATE REVISED:**

I certify this to be a true copy of the Public Participation Program Regarding Engagement with Abutting Municipalities Policy as adopted by the Municipal Council of Antigonish County at a Public Meeting held March 14, 2023.



Glenn Horne  
CAO

The Municipality of the County of Antigonish's neighbours are the Town of Antigonish, Municipality of Pictou County, Municipality of the District of St. Mary's, and Municipality of the District of Guysborough. Early engagement will allow these abutting municipalities to learn more about an issue and the potential impact a change in planning policy may have. The aim of early engagement is to reduce land-use conflict and increase cooperative opportunities. Council supports municipal engagement when adopting and amending municipal planning strategies.

Although the Paqtnkek Mi'kmaw Nation is not a municipality, the Municipality of the County of Antigonish wishes to notify and encourage discussion when planning decisions that may impact this community.

**Policy 1:** Council shall consult and engage with the Town of Antigonish, Municipality of Pictou County, Municipality of the District of St. Mary's, and Municipality of the District of Guysborough when:

- a) Adopting or replacing a Municipal Planning Strategy; and
- b) Considering amendments to a Municipal Planning Strategy, which would affect lands that share a common boundary with those municipalities.

**Policy 2:** Council shall formally notify the Paqtnkek Mi'kmaw Nation within 14 days of initiation of any non-housekeeping amendment to a Municipal Planning Strategy and the initiation of any process to adopt a new Municipal Planning Strategy.