

THE VILLAGE OF WARFIELD

POLICY TITLE: SNOW PLOWING POLICY

POLICY # 5410

POLICY STATEMENT:

It is the policy of Council to recognize snow plowing as a municipal priority service.

POLICY BACKGROUND:

Snowplowing routes and schedules were established over the course of time at the discretion of the Public Works Foreman. Although the service provided by the Public Works Department under the Foreman's direction served the community well, Council determined that, in the interest of public accountability, it is the responsibility of Council to define desired outcomes for the resources applied by the municipality for snow plowing.

POLICY GOAL:

It is the goal of this policy to ensure that all developed properties in the Village remain accessible during the winter season.

POLICY OBJECTIVES:

1. To plow and sand roads based on the following priority ranking:
 - a) bus routes
 - b) high traffic volume steep hills
 - c) side streets
 - d) alleys / pedestrian ways
2. To establish three plow routes:
 - a) lower section of the Village maintained by a loader;
 - b) mid section of the Village maintained by a loader;
 - c) upper section of the Village maintained by the plow truck;
 - d) sanding by plow truck on all routes.
3. To endeavour plowing and sanding to be accomplished by:
 - a) 9:00 a.m. for bus routes and steep grades;
 - b) noon for side streets;
 - c) 3:00 p.m. for alleys
4. To plow when snow accumulation reaches 5 cm or more.
5. To plow and sand at lesser snow accumulations to avoid or correct traffic hazards.
6. To widen intersection and other areas where snow obstructs visibility for motorists as a secondary priority.
7. To authorize call-out and overtime when required to achieve the policy's goal and objectives.

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