Stantec assisted the City of Charlottetown in the development and implementation of its integrated community sustainability plan (ICSP). The planning process is initiated under the Municipal Funding Agreement and merges familiar community planning approaches with systems thinking about sustainability and infrastructure.

Stantec prepared the ICSP to provide the City of Charlottetown with a long-term, forward-thinking strategic plan, developed in consultation with the community. The City of Charlottetown is Prince Edward Island’s capital, and one of Canada’s most historic cities. The ICSP provides direction for the community to realize sustainability objectives and goals for its environmental, economic, social and cultural dimensions identifying both challenges and opportunities for the community.

The sustainability planning process involved community engagement through development of a consultation program designed and delivered to gather public input, which was used to identify a vision, core community values and understanding of sustainability, key issues, goals and actions. Seven basic methods were used for gathering input during the City’s ICSP public consultation: a public visioning session, stakeholder meetings, a community information session, City staff interviews, council meetings, a management committee meeting, and individual submissions.

A vision, goals, supporting actions, and implementation framework was developed to coordinate local development and expenditure of Gas Tax Funding.