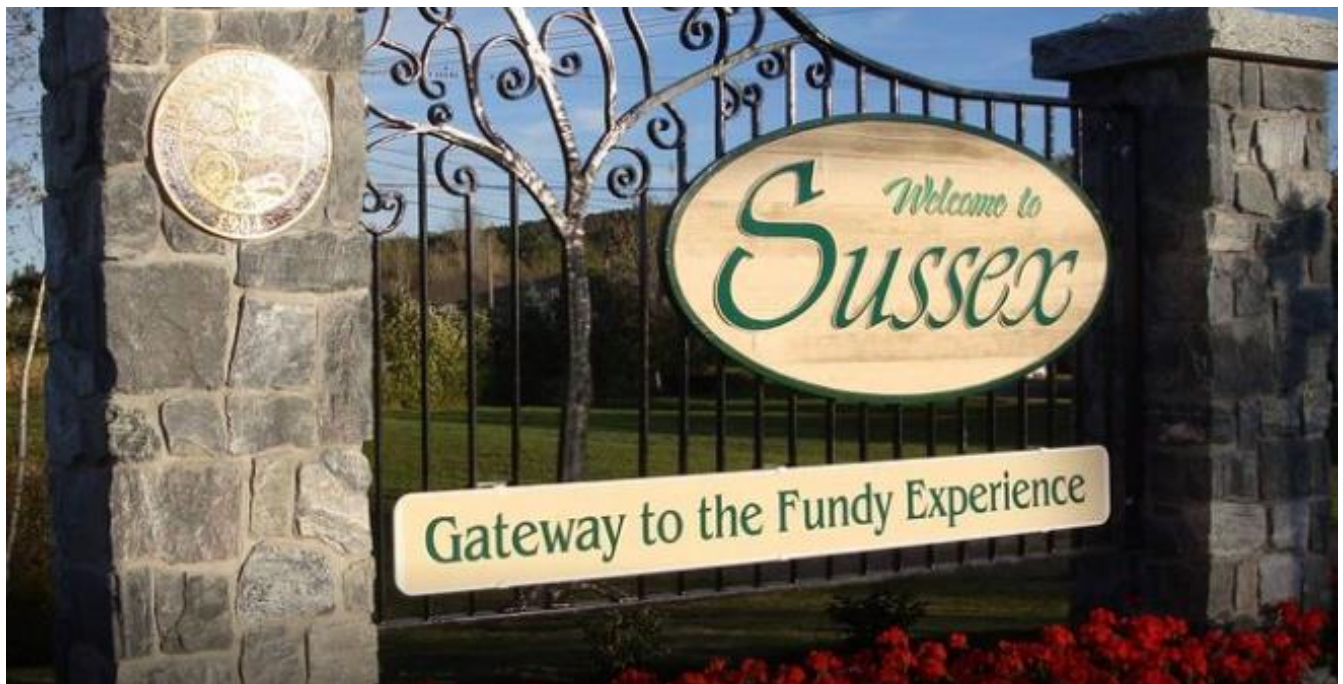


Sussex, New Brunswick



Communities in Bloom 2022



Year of the Garden
Année du jardin



Sussex 2022

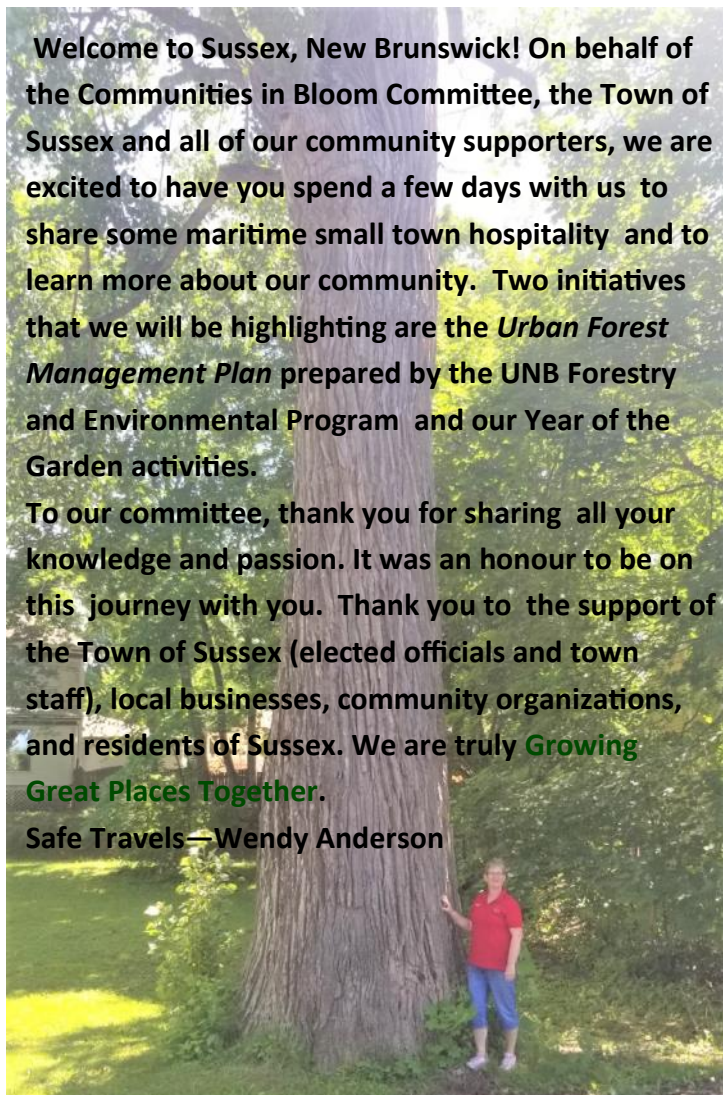
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Welcome to Sussex, New Brunswick! On behalf of the Communities in Bloom Committee, the Town of Sussex and all of our community supporters, we are excited to have you spend a few days with us to share some maritime small town hospitality and to learn more about our community. Two initiatives that we will be highlighting are the *Urban Forest Management Plan* prepared by the UNB Forestry and Environmental Program and our Year of the Garden activities.

To our committee, thank you for sharing all your knowledge and passion. It was an honour to be on this journey with you. Thank you to the support of the Town of Sussex (elected officials and town staff), local businesses, community organizations, and residents of Sussex. We are truly **Growing Great Places Together**.

Safe Travels—Wendy Anderson



Committee members

Wendy Anderson
Joan Routledge
Colleen Stockford
Lorraine Pollock
Paula Bederski
Joyce MacQuarrie
Amanda Steeves

Volunteer Hours

Fall 2021—Current

1200 +

Acknowledging the traditional territory on which we live; by law, the Sussex area is unceded lands of the Mi'kmaq, Maliseet, Passamaquoddy and Penobscot Peoples

Welcome to Sussex !

Sussex is the gateway to the Fundy Experience and there are countless things to do here all year long! Both summer and winter seasons are filled with activities, please refer to this [video](#) to see some winter ones we can't experience in July!



Sussex Stats:

Population (2021)	4,282	Municipal Budget	\$9,102,155
Land area	8.9 km ²	Nature Trail	4.8km
Town area	9.03 km ²	Parks and Green Spaces	80 acres
		Parks and recreation facilities/areas	25

Welcome from Mayor Marc Thorne

The Town of Sussex is a welcoming community which respects it's heritage while forging an exciting path to the future. It offers residents an enhanced quality of life through scenic views, historic architecture, well appointed parks and recreation facilities, and a growing list of amenities and services. Sussex is growing and implementing significant changes to enhance the quality of life in our town.

Three key initiatives are:

- The Town of Sussex is engaged in a local government reform that will consolidate the Town, the Village of Sussex Corner, and a small portion of the Local Service District (LSD) of Sussex. The new entity, named Sussex, will be in effect as of January 1, 2023.
- Flooding events (overland / surface water flooding) is the most important issue faced by each community and it's affected properties. A Flood Mitigation Master Plan was reviewed by both the Town of Sussex and the Village of Sussex Corner; consisting of six flood mitigation projects, it is budgeted at \$24,343,000 to complete.
- In 2019, the Town added a horticulturalist to it's staff, Michael Haines, a Red Seal certified Landscape Horticulturist. His responsibilities include the design and maintenance of the green spaces, town gardens, and parks.

As the town continues to evolve, it balances it's small town atmosphere with sustainable economic development, positioning itself as a great place to call home. The Town of Sussex officials, employees, businesses, and residents welcome the Communities in Bloom judges to visit and learn how we are "Growing Great Places Together"!



Itinerary



Sunday, July 24 Travel Day

- 4:25 pm Susan Ellis arrives in Saint John (YSJ)
- 5:06 pm Alex Pearl arrives in Saint John (YSJ)
- 6:00 pm Travel to Sussex, check in at hotel—Amsterdam Inn
143 Main Street Sussex (506) 432—5050
- 7:00 pm Dinner

Monday, July 25

- 7:30 am Breakfast at hotel
- 9:00 am Free time for judges - Tour St Martins / Fundy Trail including lunch (chowder / lobster roll)
Hosted by a CiB committee member
- 12:30am Return to Amsterdam Inn—Sussex
- 1:00 pm Welcome / Introduction of Communities in Bloom Sussex Committee
Community leaders / volunteers will join the judges on the tour bus
- 1:15 pm Visit Co-op Community Garden and visit with gardeners. Living the Garden life update by
Sally Colpitts— Sussex & Studholm Agricultural Society / Sussex Co-op
- 1:45 pm Tour of cottonwood trees, historical Church Avenue and Princess Louise Park
- 2:15 pm Guided tour with Jason Thorne on the Sussex Nature Trail, Ducks Unlimited Wetlands and
Disc golf park
- 3:00 pm Lasting Images Ltd—tour and discussion with CNLA landscaper Don Baxter and Red Certified
Horticulturalist Joan Routledge
- 3:45 pm Road trip of surrounding sites—Cobbler Lane Fudge Factory, Sussex gates, Covered Bridge,
Armada Cheese, Evergrow'in Produce green houses, Agropur
- 4:30 pm Presentation from Kennebecasis Watershed Restoration Committee, tour of landscaping
and new pavilion at Nutrien Civic Centre
- 5:30 pm Free time for judges
- 6:30 pm Reception with Mayor Marc Thorne, community leaders and CiB supporters —All Seasons
- 8:00 pm Return to Amsterdam Inn

Tuesday, July 26

- 7:30 am Breakfast—Amsterdam Inn
- 8:00 am Presentations
- Sussex Tree Management Plan— Prof. Jasen Golding University of New Brunswick Forest & Environmental Management faculty
- Regional Service Commission 8 (waste management) update - James Keirstead
- Climate Adaption Plan—Town of Sussex— Scott Hatcher, Chief Administrative Officer
- 9:45 am Depart for O’Connell Park – community green space—Michael Haines, Town horticulturalist, Sussex Regional Library, Sussex Legion
- 11:15 am Depart on walking tour of downtown Sussex including Year of the Garden Celebration garden, landscaping features, floral displays and historical & cultural murals
- 1:00 pm Lunch at Sussex Ale Works patio
- 1:45 pm Town of Sussex office (drive by) CiB flag, historical building, floral displays, banners
- 1:45 pm Tour Discovery Park, see Diversity Mural and meet local artist Bonny Hill
- Kirk Hill Cemetery—oldest cemetery in Sussex Peace Park (drive by)
- 2:15 pm Sussex Train Station— tour 8th Hussar’s Museum and enjoy a Sussex Ice Cream cone
- Preview the pop-up garden proposed for 63 Broad Street
- 3:00 pm Judges return to Amsterdam Inn to complete evaluation—meeting room will be available
- 6:30pm Dinner and volunteer recognition at Routledge garden with judges and committee member

Wednesday, July 27

- 8:00 am Breakfast Amsterdam Inn
- 9:00 am Depart for Moncton airport



Activities and Events

We have been working hard to promote the **CiB message and events!** We are coordinating with many local groups to support and encourage participation.

Facebook Page—[Communities In Bloom Sussex N.B. | Facebook](#)

Promotion and fundraising efforts are happening throughout the year!



Plant sale May 28, 2022



Hand-painted reusable bags for sale



Evergreen Christmas Swags
November 27, 2021



Sussex CiB committee members and volunteers added colour to the flower beds and the Kiwanis Nursing



Potting and distributing planters June 2022



Planting the
YOG Celebration
Garden

Elliot Park
December
2021



The Flower and Garden Show at the Kings County Agricultural Fair is being **coordinated by CiB Sussex committee members.** This event is organized by the Sussex & Studholm Agricultural Society - the oldest continually operating Agricultural Society in North America.



Leonard's Gate is located in the heart of downtown Sussex and hosts many special events including the weekly Sussex Farmer's Market (May-October). It is also used as space for local organization fundraisers, a place for speakers and music to set up during downtown events, and contributes to the attraction of Main Street!



The Atlantic Balloon Fiesta is set to return to Sussex in September 2022! It will feature 30 Hot Air Balloons that fly twice daily, along with children's activities, a weekend long outdoor bandstand, and an Antique Car Show & Shine. There will also be the spectacular moon glow, when the balloons inflate at dusk!



NB Grub Hub is a new initiative being launched to ensure people have access to the food, education, and tools needed to gain food security in New Brunswick communities. The program aims to provide support to the local food bank and community gardens as well as set up learning gardens and a teaching kitchen. The pilot program is set to begin from the Lions Den in Sussex, NB in 2022.



The Sussex Flea Market is returning in August 2022! It was originally organized by the NB Antique Auto Club as an antique automotive market and car show, and has since evolved into a 3-day extravaganza. This event brings people from all over to Sussex, where they can experience an event like no other!



Year of the Garden 2022



To celebrate the Year of the Garden, signage was distributed to participating gardens and supporters. The Town of Sussex will fly the CiB flag at town hall, and the gate lights at O'Connell park will shine red!



Lasting Image
Landscaping



Garden sponsored by Kings County Auto Parts.
Planted by CiB committee June 15, 2022



Amsterdam Inn



Sussex Regional Library



Sussex Co-op supported YOG by highlighting red plant material and sharing this on their Facebook page!



Sponsored by the Sussex DBA and
planted by CiB committee members

Community Involvement

Each section of the **Diversity Mural** was painted by different students at Sussex Elementary School. It was unveiled May 14, 2021 when the students got to see the pieces come together! The mural was designed by local artist Bonny Hill.



Volunteers helped CiB committee members with planters for the downtown area, and with the Kiwanis garden.

CiB provided **sunflower seeds** to local businesses to raise funds which were donated to the Canadian Red Cross to support the people of Ukraine. A Ukrainian flag was also flown at Sussex Town Hall.



A strong group of gardeners -old and new- take advantage of 16 plots at the **Co-op Community Garden**. Both vegetables and information are shared between the gardeners who also enjoy the **physical and mental health benefits** of growing their own food.



Community Appearance

Sparkle Day

A group of youth volunteered to join us in preparing for the judges visit! Cheerleaders will encourage business owners and downtown participants to tidy up and ensure their space is looking great.



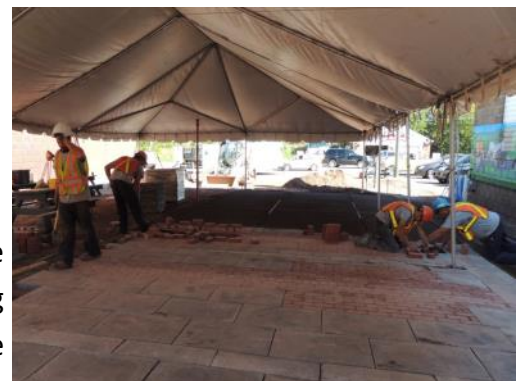
DBA Planters

Along with CiB committee members, volunteers helped to plant and distribute planters for the downtown core. This collection of planters, sponsored by the Downtown Business Association, makes the downtown beautiful and cohesive.



Service groups such as the Rotary Club promote community cleaning activities.

The crew of Lasting Image Landscaping lays the flooring at Leonard's Gate



By-laws

The Town of Sussex has by-laws in place to ensure the Town stays tidy. This includes any signage by businesses, unsightly premises, and preservations area standards.



The Town of Sussex employs two full-time employees as well as two summer students dedicated to **landscaping**, as well as three full-time employees and six students to **mowing**, under the supervision of Town horticulturist, Michael Hines.

Streets and Public areas:

Sussex receives approximately **245cm** of snow annually. The Town of Sussex provides maintenance and snow removal on **42km of roads within town limits**, and **sidewalks** are cleared for pedestrians. In the spring and summer, the **streets are swept**.

The Town also provides, maintains, and empties bins for **garbage and recycling**, as well as proper disposal for cigarette butts. Monitoring for graffiti is regular and any found is cleaned immediately.

Solid Waste:

Waste is collected weekly utilizing a **3-stream method** of sorting: recyclables (blue), organics (green), and garbage (clear).

Spring and Fall **clean ups** are organized, as well as **free household hazardous waste drop off** throughout the year.

The Regional Service Commission 8 (RSC8) **app** provides residents with a pick-up schedule and event reminders, as well as a material search guide.

Recycling:

Cardboard, scrap metal, oil and anti-freeze, batteries and CFL light bulb **programs** exist at the waste facility, and business such as Canadian Tire collect batteries for recycling.

Compost:

A **free service** organized and maintained by the Town of Sussex for residential and commercial use. The Town picks up bags of yard waste in the spring and fall and the resulting compost is available to residents.

Environmental Action

Town of Sussex

The Town has implemented **LED bulbs** in all street lights and traffic and crosswalk lights. There are also **by-laws** in place concerning waste water and sewage, and solid waste.

There are currently three **electric vehicle charging stations** in town, at the Amsterdam Inn and at Shoppers Drug Mart. The Town is in the works to add two more.

The **Community Services Committee** oversees the environmental development services for the town and reports directly to the town council.

Both **large and small businesses** in Sussex have encouraged the use of reusable bags instead of plastic.



Water Management

The Town of Sussex treats and supplies potable water from a local groundwater source with two wells and has two reservoirs. The water is tested regularly to ensure quality standards and results are provided to residents. *Storm water* is collected throughout the town with 32 km of pipes and discharged into local waterways. *Wastewater* is collected from a 47km gravity sewer, 2km of force-main, and 6 sewage lift stations and treated in two aeration cell lagoons.

Regional Service Commission 8

The Regional Service Commission provides solid waste disposal services and operate the Regional Waste Management Facility, coordinating various recycling programs and the **promotion of the 3 stream separation**. RSC8 has partnered with numerous community locations where HHW can be dropped off, including light bulbs and batteries.



Recycling and Diversion

RSC8 operates several recycling and diversion programs designed to minimize the amount of waste transferred to the waste management facility, some of which are cardboard diversion & baling, metal and white goods diversion, and refundable products. In 2021, **1,746 tonnes** of material were diverted through these programs.

Kennebecasis Watershed Restoration Committee (KWRC)

KWRC is a non-profit organization aimed at **maintaining and restoring the natural conditions** of the Kennebecasis River. They have completed over 56 restoration projects within the watershed areas and conduct environmental assessment and monitoring as well as providing education and public awareness.

The Waste Diversion Project Coordinator with KWRC has partnered with RSC8 Waste Management Facility in Sussex to create a project for the **proper disposal of agricultural plastics**. Since April 2022, farmers have been able to drop off their agricultural plastics at RSC8 free of charge.

KWRC has an **Invasive Species Coordinator** whose goal is to monitor invasive species and educate the public.



KWRC has installed 3 **rain gardens** at Sussex Middle School, the KWRC office in Sussex, and at the Nutrien Civic Centre with help from students, staff, and day campers respectively.



Flooding

Flooding is an important issue faced by residents and businesses of Sussex. On average, we receive 915 mm of rain and 245 cm of snow. High volume downpours are the biggest challenges that cause overflow of streams and river banks and flooding in low lying areas.

The **Sussex Flood Study (2016)** resulted in the proposal of **flood berms** for the Gateway Mall, Wallace Court, Holman Avenue/McLean Street, and Main Street, diversion channels, realigning and dredging Trout Creek, as well as adding flood storage.

Gateway Mall Flood Berm

Area Protected	24 ha
Properties Protected	
Residential	18
Commercial	10
Institutional	1
Park/Recreational	0
Federal	0
Total	29

Holman Ave/McLean St Flood Berm

Area Protected	68 ha
Properties Protected	
Residential	117
Commercial	10
Institutional	0
Park/Recreational	0
Federal	0
Total	127

In March 2020, a **Climate Change Adaption Plan** was developed to plan for climate change and extreme weather-related vulnerabilities in the Town of Sussex. Review and analysis of historic extreme weather events and future climate change impacts were included. The **Sussex Region Flood Risk Mitigation Plan** was released on March 30, 2022 with proposed action estimated at over \$24,000,000 to reduce flooding.

Documents are available to the public at sussex.ca

Heritage Conservation

Mural Capitol of Atlantic Canada : Sussex is home to a one of a kind outdoor art gallery of 27 panoramic murals. Internationally renowned artists have captured our rich local history in vibrant colour with themes of Maliseet beginnings, agricultural history, military importance, political and royal events, and sporting achievements. In addition to guided tours, hard copy walking guides, and MS Tags, a new app **Otocast** is available for users to access an audio/visual self-guided tour of the murals.



*Hockey - A Rural Religion
F. Sproule Memorial Hospital*



Kings County Agriculture Fair : The longest running agricultural fair in North America features 4-H members' hard work in raising cattle, horses, rabbits and more. In addition, it shows off the best flowers and vegetables produced by local gardeners—which will be judged by **Sussex CiB committee members** this year.



Agricultural Museum of New Brunswick : Founded in 1983, the museum is dedicated to the preservation of agricultural history and holds an assortment of over 2000 agricultural artifacts from the province. The annual Harvest Day brings people together to experience hay rides, wood sawing, butter churning, and grain threshing and blacksmith demonstrations. The museum also holds an Antique Power Show.



Cobbler's Lane Fudge Factory

Converted from an old empty barn to a modern retail and production factory, the business started with small amounts of fudge but has continued to grow each year. They now offer ice cream, coffee, and baked goods, in addition to the delicious fudge of which they have sold over 10 tonnes!



8th Hussars

The 8th Hussars Military Museum is located in the historical Train Station in Sussex. The Hussars is Canada's oldest continually serving cavalry regiment, founded in 1848. They played an important role in rebuilding the town of Eelde in the Netherlands after the end of the World War II, and every May 5th a special ceremony is held to commemorate the anniversary of Liberation of the Netherlands. A Canadian-Dutch Tulip Garden is planted at the Town office.



Established with the Militia Act of 1825, Camp Sussex gained a prominent role during World War I and World War II with up to 10 000 troops training there before being deployed overseas. The Hussars served with distinction on battlefields both World War I and in World War II.



Intercolonial Railway Station

The first train came to Sussex from Saint John in 1859. Businesses came to Sussex to benefit from the advantage rail transportation provided and the station was built in 1914. Farmers were able to expand their markets, and students were able to attend college in Saint John. Thousands of soldiers from Camp Sussex left for their postings from this station. Appropriately, the station is now home to the Hussars Museum, as well as local business, Sully's Ice Cream Parlour.



History of Sussex

In 1857, railways were constructed connecting local communities and was the start of our town. Sussex was officially established as a Town on June 2, 1904. The Town of Sussex is a participant in the Province of New Brunswick's Local Historic Places Program, and there are 21 historic places designated under this program. In addition to those highlighted below, there are 11 additional residences, the Dominion Building which is now Town Hall, Depot Hotel; now apartments and business space, Sussex Ginger Ale Factory; now apartments, and the Church Ave Fountain. The oldest cemetery in Sussex is the Kirkhill Cemetery, with the earliest stone dating 1853. The Railway Station (above) is also designated under this program. The Slipp/Deichmann/Wallace Residence below is now home to the Wallace Funeral Home which was founded in 1893.



Trinity Anglican Church

1876



Gunn House

1907



Slipp/Deichmann/
Wallace Residence

1859



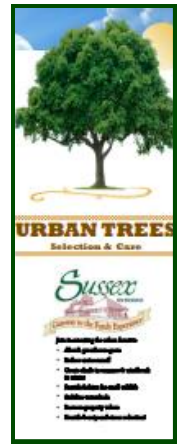
Sharp's Corner
Drug Store

1897

Tree Management

Urban Forest Pamphlet

CiB Sussex has created an educational document for residents regarding the selection and care of trees. A paper copy can be provided and it is available online at sussex.ca



Town of Sussex

Within the town, there are some trees over 200 years old. Trees are regularly maintained by the Town Works crew, and a local arborist is consulted as needed. A collaborative plan with NB Power prevents power loss and line damage during ice and wind storms. The town has received an Urban Forest Management plan from the University of New Brunswick's Forestry program (see next page). The Town's Subdivision By-Law 1006-08 requires new developments to have a landscape plan which includes trees that provide shade.

Park Memorial Program

This program gives opportunity for community members to donate a bench or native tree to beautify public spaces in memory of, or dedication to, an individual, historical event, or occasion. This program was implemented in February 2021, with many projects being approved and 3 being completed to date.

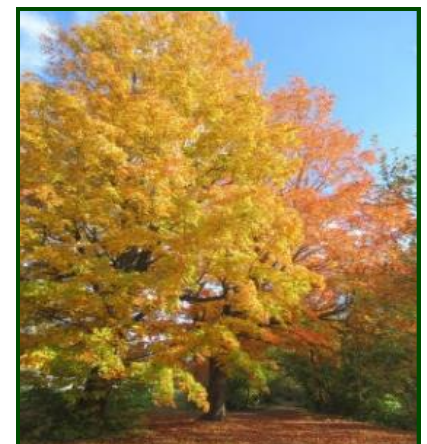


Tree Planting

As part of Canada 150 Celebrations, 150 Sugar Maple trees were planted by students, youth groups, families, and service groups in 2017. At the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 20 in Sussex is a Vimy Ridge Oak Tree planted in 2017. After the battle of Vimy Ridge, a soldier sent home an acorn that was planted in Ontario. From this 100 year old Oak, 200 trees were established with 40 being distributed in Atlantic Canada.



-Local colours-



Tree Inventory and Management Plan

The University of New Brunswick's Forestry and Environmental Management Program—in partnership with the Town of Sussex—has developed an **Urban Forest Management plan**. The students designed an **inventory** of trees and identified existing forest health and potential threats to the ecosystems. A final presentation was given in **April 2022**, when students provided their findings. This Plan has been provided to the Town of Sussex to understand a suitable management strategy for their urban forest. This project was approved for funding from the **Sussex Area Community Foundation (SACF)** to provide travel costs for the students.



Spruce Budworm

One pest threatening our local forests, particularly spruce and balsam fir trees, is the spruce budworm. To minimize potentially devastating losses, scientists, governments, and industry are working together on an **“early intervention strategy”** to limit and control the spruce budworm. This includes learning about natural predators, using pheromones to prevent mating, and early detection of fast-growing populations.



JD Irving Sussex Tree Nursery

Located in Sussex, the nursery plays an important role in helping Irving **grow trees** for planting. Started in 1974, the operation has grown significantly. It is also the home of the **Maritime Innovation Lab**, which is one of only three places in the world that applies genetic science to grow softwood trees to sustain healthy forests. This allows for growth of taller, straighter, and more disease-resistant trees faster than they're being harvested. The nursery holds annual tree sales selling seedlings to the public.



Kennebecasis Watershed Restoration Committee

KWRC coordinates with local groups and governments to provide awareness of **invasive species** and prevent spread. They detect and monitor new and existing species such as Wild Parsnip (pictured).



Landscape

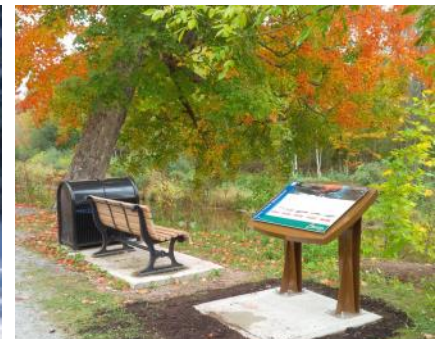
Recreational Spaces

There are many parks and green spaces, including playgrounds, an arena for hockey and skating (8th Hussars Sports Centre), tennis and basketball courts, baseball fields, and a skate park. The Town employs a horticulturalist, Michael Hines, who oversees these and applies Canadian Landscape Standards. Regular maintenance is conducted by town employees and summer students. Sussex Elementary School is proud to be the home of Discovery Park, one designed to introduce natural elements into the play environment. The Nutrien Civic Centre has a 25m pool, an indoor walking track, a weight room, and provides fitness classes.



Sussex Nature Trail

In addition to these spaces, Sussex boasts a 5km nature trail that is used year round by residents and visitors. It follows Trout Creek and passes through natural forest. Rest areas and waste disposal sites are provided along the path. A map of the trail can be viewed on sussex.ca.



Seasonal banners and decor

Over 100 banners are rotated to celebrate or recognize special events; including spring, winter holidays, local high-school graduates, and veterans. With continued COVID restrictions into January 2022, the Town of Sussex decided to leave holiday lights up longer to give hope to the community.



Signage and Traffic Calming

The Town of Sussex has incorporated traffic calming strategies to **improve safety** for motorists, pedestrians, and cyclists. These measures currently exist at Sussex Elementary School on Main Street (*below*), along St. George Street, and the intersection of Main and Magnolia Streets.

Crosswalks all over town have been and continue to be improved with the installation of flashing LED lights. The one beside the Sussex Fire Department on Maple Avenue is even solar powered!



Local Landscaping

Local businesses and residents keep their spaces looking great. Sussex is proud to have members of the community work hard to keep spaces tidy and green!



Landscape New Brunswick

The mission of Landscape NB is to be dedicated to *the advancement of all matters pertaining to the development of the landscape profession* and is mandated to *raise the level of professionalism within our industry by providing training and certification for our members, and to maintain confidence and trust in the profession of horticulture.* Two of these certified landscapers are based here in Sussex.

landscape new brunswick.com
landscapepei.com
 Green for Life!

Plant and Floral Displays

The Town of Sussex celebrates the beauty of summer! They distribute and maintain over 100 hanging baskets and large self-watering box planters throughout town. Flowers are also planted at the town entrances, gates at O'Connell park, and at Elliott Park.

The Sussex Downtown Business Association (DBA) proudly sponsors planters that are placed in the downtown area where local businesses maintain them. These are organized and planted by volunteers and committee members of Sussex CiB! Material for 58 planters were sourced from local nursery, Avon Valley.





Winter Activities



On **Act of Kindness Day**, November 5, 2021, CiB Sussex committee members planted 50 tulip bulbs at the Lions Villa, where senior residents will be able to enjoy them.

A local business, City Auto, created and filmed a video entitled **Christmas in Sussex**. It features scenes from local and surrounding areas and appearances from staff and community members.



The **Winter Lights Contest** is a yearly event Sponsored by the Town of Sussex and judged by CiB Sussex committee members. CiB also organizes and decorates trees to be displayed at the Train Station.



*Winter Lights
Contest Winner
2021*

Olde Tyme Christmas is returning in 2022! The **Sussex DBA** will happily sponsor an evening where downtown businesses hold special deals, and there are horse drawn sleigh rides.

The **Festival of Trees** takes place each year at Burton Park. Although the Mayor's Tree Lighting at the adjoining Rotary Theatre was cancelled, the trees were still sponsored and decorated by local business and groups.



Sussex Downtown Business Association

Communities in Bloom Sussex has connected with the Downtown Business Association of Sussex (DBA) and has established a mutually beneficial relationship. Working together, we are able to beautify downtown Sussex. The DBA has donated and pledged thousands of dollars to put toward beautification in the downtown area. Along with multiple planters, benches have been purchased with more included in future plans.

The DBA also encourages downtown businesses to participate in events and supports the sharing of information between businesses and the public.



When the CiB committee distributed planters throughout downtown, passersby commented that the planters looked great and added to the downtown, and thanked us for our efforts. This would not have been possible without the DBA. Business owners have also expressed their thanks to the DBA: "Just want to take a minute to thank you for the work you and CiB have done in the area ... and around town. Sussex is looking fabulous. Your work and the work of the CiB does not go unnoticed." Amy , Co-Owner, Legacy Lane

Cancelled in the last two years due to COVID-19, the DBA is planning a return of **Olde Tyme Christmas** for 2022.

In partnership with the Sussex & District Chamber of Commerce, the DBA sponsored a "**Merry Chris-Moose**" event, where local businesses creatively decorated a 5 foot tall wooden moose.

Together with The Multicultural Association of Sussex, the Town of Sussex, and the Sussex Chamber of Sussex, the DBA sponsored Diversifest 2022, a multicultural and Diversity Market with entertainment, workshops, vendors and activities held at Leonard's Gate.

Partnering with the Town of Sussex and the Sussex & District Chamber of Commerce, the DBA planned the **Sussex Grand Fiesta** on September 11, 2021— a day full of fun events during the usual Balloon Fiesta weekend which had been cancelled due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The event showcased numerous musical guests, live art, photography, kids games, a photo booth, and a free BBQ!

Supporters of CiB Sussex

Town of Sussex—elected officials, employees, and residents

All Seasons Restaurant

Amsterdam Inn Sussex

Avon Valley Floral Nursery

AX—the Art & Culture Center of Sussex

Corn Hill Nurseries

BDA Landscape Architects

Belleisle Gardens

Bonny Hill – artist

Downtown Business Association of Sussex

JD Irving – Nursery and Innovation Center

Fundy Tree Trimming

Kennebecasis Watershed Restoration Committee

Kiwanis—Sussex

Nature Sussex

Lasting Image Landscaping Ltd.

Lions Club—Sussex

Mark's Work Warehouse

Multicultural Center of Sussex (MAS)

Nutrien Civic Centre

Optimum Ride

Regional Service Commission 8

Rotary Club—Sussex

Royal Canadian Legion Branch 20 - Sussex

SUN Nurseries

Sussex Area Community Foundation

Legacy Lane

Regional Service Commission 8

Sussex Ale House

Sussex Area Community Foundation

Sussex Elementary School

Sussex Chamber of Commerce

Sussex & Studholm Agricultural Society

Sussex Regional Library

TBLC Landscapes

University of New Brunswick Faculty of Forestry and Environmental Management



Qualified Resources



Organization	First name	Last name	Position
Fundy Tree Trimming	John	Callahan	Arborist
Fundy Tree Trimming	Matt	Smith	Arborist
Artist	Bonny	Hill	Artist / Gardener
Communities in Bloom - Canada	Colleen	Stockford	Board of Directors CIB National
Downtown Business Association	Steve	Downey	Business Owner / President
Town of Sussex	Scott	Hatcher	Chief Administrative Officer
Lasting Image Landscaping Ltd.	Don	Baxter	CNLA Landscaper
TBLC Landscapes	Stewie	Duncan	CNLA Landscaper
SUN Nursery Inc.	Stuart	Gillies	CNLA member / nursery
Town of Sussex	Jason	Thorne	Community Services Director
Cardwell Farms Compost	Jim	Cunningham	Compost Council of Canada member
Landscape NB-PE	Jim	Landry	Exec Director
Sussex Area Community Foundation	Miriam	Versheer	Exec Director
Sussex Chamber of Commerce	Vanessa	Coggan	Exec Director
Nutrients for Life	Tamara	Seeley	Exec Director / National Partner
Avon Valley	Joe	Sturgeon	Floral wholesaler and greenhouse
Sussex Co-op Garden Centre	Sally	Colpitts	Garden Center manager
Belleisle Gardens	Neil	Vanderlaan	Garden Center/ nursery
Kennebecasis Watershed Restoration Committee	Laura	Lavagine	Invasive Species Coordinator
BDA Landscape Architects	Jim	Sackville	Landscape Architect
Town of Sussex	Marc	Thorne	Mayor
Corn Hill Nursery	Bob	Osborne	Nursery / Gardening Store
Region Service Commission 8	James	Keirstead	PR/ Educational Officer
Nature Sussex	Judy	Stockdale-Dow	President
Kennebecasis Watershed Restoration Committee	Ben	Whalen	Project Manager / Environmental Technologist
Master Gardener	Joan	Routledge	Red Seal Landscape Horticulturalist
Town of Sussex	Michael	Haines	Red Seal Landscape Horticulturalist

Map of Sussex

