



Bonfield Council Term Achievements -Strategic Plan 2025-2030

2022–2026 • Actions supporting the four Strategic Plan pillars

01 Responsible Government

INFORMATION AND PARTICIPATION

Keeping residents informed

Improved website and events calendar; Facebook, email alerts, Council blog and printed newsletters.

Opening Council to the community

Full agenda packages online, Question Period, three Town Halls, an Official Plan open house and resident surveys.

Bringing people together

Expanded events, arts and francophone heritage activities; opened municipal spaces to more community uses.

Clearer rules and accessible services

Updated donation, social media, conduct and surveillance policies; new complaint system and Administrative Penalty System; accessibility plan and successful audit.

Stronger emergency services

Risk assessment and response plans; added Fire Chief capacity; updated by-laws, procedures and training; replaced bunker gear and planned 2027 SCBA replacement.

02 Economic and Social Development

ROADS FACILITIES HEALTH AND GROWTH

Supporting housing and business

Developer and agri-food forums; 24-business outreach; Economic Development Strategy, 12 first-year actions and funded intern position; updated rural-use and dwelling by-laws.

Keeping health care local

Supported two new doctors; Medical Centre renovations, new Board and medical team agreement; Family Health Team partnership.

Renewing roads and bridges

Six kilometres of Development Road resurfaced; gravel lifts on Pine Lake, Maple, Line 3, Farmer’s Line, Grand Desert and South Shore; Talon Lake Road rebuilt and storm-damaged routes repaired.

Completing practical improvements

Paving on Gagnon, Trunk Road Hill and Pine Lake; two-lane Trunk Road bridge; brushing and ditching; Public Works Shop repairs and mould removal; new office septic system, splash pad and exercise equipment.

Equipping and planning for services

Grader, backhoe, excavator, trucks and compactor; road, bridge, culvert and building studies; annual landfill assessments; Cassellholme repayment reserve planning.

03 Fiscal Prudence

PLANNING CONTROLS AND SHARED SERVICES

Planning investments

Long-term Asset Management Plan and capital financial plan; reserve and debt policy reviews; condition assessments to guide priorities.

Strengthening accountability

Procurement procedures and delegation by-law; tax, credit card surcharge and travel expense policies; promotion of pre-authorized payments.

Making spending visible

Published tenders, project reports and budget information.

Reviewing operating costs

Reviewed agendas, IT, mobile devices, financial software and major contracts for efficiencies.

Sharing expertise

By-law enforcement with Chisholm; building inspection with neighbouring municipalities; temporary Public Works management with Calvin; regional service agreements.

04 Environmental Stewardship

WASTE ENERGY WATER AND NATURAL ASSETS

Improving waste management

Clear bag system, expanded recycling through Circular Materials and landfill compactor.

Using energy more efficiently

Accepted Municipal Energy Plan; upgraded Public Works Shop lighting and began Fire Station lighting review.

Strengthening drainage

Beaver and Beaver Dam Management Policy; culvert capacity reviews and larger replacements where needed; applications for university drainage studies.

Protecting natural landscapes

Community feedback and provincial policies informed Official Plan work for lakes, forests and valued natural features.

Supporting waterfront access

Assisted Ontario Parks with the Blanchard’s Landing dock replacement.

