

# Louisbourg Waterfront Development Project Community Update July 2023

## To the Residents of Louisbourg:

Thank you for your ongoing support for the Louisbourg waterfront development project and for the great community turnout and feedback that has been provided to date. It is our goal to share updates on the status of the project to keep the community informed while also demonstrating how feedback has been incorporated into the design of the project as it proceeds.

The Louisbourg Waterfront Development Project Steering Committee, which includes the Cape Breton Partnership, Parks Canada, Louisbourg Seafoods Limited, Cape Breton Centre for Crafts and Design, Nova Scotia Indigenous Tourism Enterprise Network, Cape Breton Regional Municipality, and two community representatives, has been working with Build Nova Scotia to advance the project. Building on the extensive work done by the community, the Louisbourg waterfront project came together in early 2020. A concept was developed based on stakeholder input and cost estimates were developed in 2020 and further refined in 2021 to submit initial funding requests for the project.

Construction costs have seen significant increases due to inflation over the past three years and the updated cost estimates we are receiving reflect this. The project team is currently working with partners to refine these estimates and determine where additional funds may be available to cover the cost increases. All stakeholders are committed to finding an appropriate solution that meets the vision of the community for this space.

The Steering Committee recognizes the value and importance of this project to the community of Louisbourg and the wider Unama'ki – Cape Breton community and we will provide further updates as soon as we are able. Thank you for your understanding and continued support.

For more information on the project, please visit <https://buildns.ca/projects/louisbourg/>, email [louisbourg@buildns.ca](mailto:louisbourg@buildns.ca), or call Denis Thibeault locally at (902) 565-9761.

Sincerely,

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on behalf of the Louisbourg Project Steering Committee