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**TOWN OF TRURO DEER MANAGEMENT WORKING GROUP FINALIZES
TERMS OF REFERENCE AND BEGINS WORK ON DEER MANAGEMENT
STRATEGY**

The Truro Deer Management Working Group met recently to finalize the scope of the Terms of Reference for the Deer Management Strategy. The Terms of Reference will now be presented to Truro Town Council for approval and acceptance.

The Deer Management Working Group has been meeting since February to develop a Deer Management Strategy that will help Town Council develop a proper operating budget to implement deer management initiatives and ensure adequate resources are available to carry out the actions in the plan. Part of the plan will be working with the community on individual initiatives to reduce the population. This will include working towards changing human behaviours and attitudes, as long-term success in reducing the urban deer population will be heavily dependent on changing the human/deer interactions that currently exist.

The next step for the Working Group is to formalize the goals and objectives of the Strategy, along with developing a greater understanding of all management options and measures.

The Working Group consists of members of Truro Town Council, Town staff, staff from NS Dept of Lands & Forestry, members from organizations such as NS Federation of Anglers & Hunters and Women That Hunt, as well as community members with various perspectives on the issue. The Working Group will continue to meet every two weeks to move the Deer Management Strategy forward. It is expected to be finalized over the spring and summer, with implementation expected to begin in the fall of 2021.

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