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May 6, 2021

Mr. Locke, Mayor Shelburne  
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**Re: Serviced sites at The Islands Provincial Park**

Dear Mr. Locke

I am responding to your letter of April 20, 2021 regarding serviced sites at The Islands Provincial Park.

You are correct, 11 out of 20 camping parks have a portion of serviced sites and that The Islands is one of the parks that does not have serviced sites. We have set a goal of having all 20 camping parks with a mix of serviced and unserviced sites, as our capital budget allows. Unfortunately, we do not have a timeline for this upgrade to happen at The Islands.

In recent years, the Department has made considerable upgrades to the infrastructure at The Islands to improve the visitor experience. Last season the department completed a new gender-neutral, mobility accessible comfort station. This included 6 large washrooms with sink/toilet and low threshold showers. The building has a new accessible ramp with handrails and improved lighting. We also improved safety through investing in a new gate. This season we are making improvements to the water system to ensure it complies with safe drinking water guidelines.

Thank you for your continued interest in The Islands Provincial Park.

Sincerely,

**Matt Parker**  
Director, Parks & Outreach

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April 20, 2021  
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Dear Department of Lands & Forests,

As you are aware, the Town of Shelburne, Nova Scotia is a rural coastal community in the Southwestern region of the province. Interesting to note, Shelburne is the fastest growing community on the south shore being the only community to see a population increase during the last census.

At the Town Council Meeting held on April 6<sup>th</sup> 2021, Council discussed serviced campsite lots in the Nova Scotia provincial parks. We understand there are 20 provincial parks in Nova Scotia and of the 20 there are 11 which are serviced. However, there are no serviced campsites in all of Shelburne County or Queens County.

This letter is to request Dept of Lands and Forests consider installing serviced sites in our local Provincial Park; Islands Park for the 2022 camping season. We feel our area of the province deserves the same amenities as other areas. We trust this is something that can be considered.

Thank you for your time and I can be contacted by email at [harold.locke@shelburnens.ca](mailto:harold.locke@shelburnens.ca) or by phone at (902) 875-6041.

Respectfully submitted,

Mayor Locke  
Mayor, Town of Shelburne