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City of Mount Pearl Receives Government of Canada Funding

Investment supports cenotaph at St. David's Park

MOUNT PEARL, NL – Today, Seamus O'Regan, MP for St. John's South-Mount Pearl, on behalf of the Honourable Navdeep Bains, Minister of Innovation, Science and Economic Development and Minister responsible for the Atlantic Canada Opportunities Agency (ACOA), announced Government of Canada support for a community infrastructure project at St. David's Park.

Since April, St. David's Park has been under transformation from a former softball field into a passive park that includes a nature-based playground, oval walking track and cenotaph war memorial. ACOA announced today an investment of \$200,250 through the Canada 150 Community Infrastructure Program (CIP 150) for the cenotaph component of the community project.

"Thanks to funding received from ACOA, our beautiful park now includes a key feature piece – the cenotaph. Surrounded by a seating area and bubblers, it is truly an area where one can commemorate, reflect and honour our war veterans," said Mayor Randy Simms. "As a city, we worked closely with the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 36 on the enhancement of the park and the cenotaph. We also consulted with the Legion on the overall conceptual designs," he continued.

The St. David's Park redevelopment is near completion, and the cenotaph war memorial will be open to the public for the Remembrance Day ceremony.

About CIP 150

The Canada 150 Community Infrastructure Program supports projects that rehabilitate existing community facilities across Canada. The program is part of the Government of Canada's celebration of our country's 150th anniversary of Confederation. The program will be in effect until March 31, 2018.

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