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New St. David's Park Vandalized

Days before park to officially open for Remembrance Day ceremony

MOUNT PEARL, NL – The City of Mount Pearl's new St. David's Park was vandalized last night. The park has just been upgraded at an estimated \$2.37 million, and is set to officially open to the public for the Remembrance Day Ceremony on November 11.

"Since April, St. David's Park has been under transformation from a former softball field into a passive park that includes a cenotaph war memorial. An act of this nature demonstrates complete disrespect for our veterans and disregard for our public assets," says Mayor Simms.

New shrubs and sods, just planted last month, were uprooted and thrown throughout the park. Many shrubs were forced into the Howitzer, a historical gun owned by the Legion.

The City is seeking help from the public to identify any persons involved in the damages caused to St. David's Park.

"Every time acts of vandalism occur, our community pays the price. The cost to fix these damages is borne by our residents and businesses," says Mayor Randy Simms. "We need the vandals to know that this type of behavior will not be tolerated."

The Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 36, Remembrance Day Ceremony will go ahead on November 11 at 11:00 a.m. at St. David's Park.

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