

Objectives of the Society For Halifax Regional Trails Association (HRTA)

1. Function as a regional (HRM boundaries) umbrella trail and greenway organization made up of individual community trail associations.
2. Respect, support and lobby for member community trail groups that are involved in the development, management and operation of *human powered/active transportation (AT)*, recreational trails and greenways.
 - i) Current shared-use motorized trails operated by the St. Margaret's Bay and Area Rails to Trails Association; the Beechville Lakeside Timberlea Trail Association; and the Cole Harbour Parks and Trails Association have been grandfathered in as member groups. Conversion of these exceptions to solely human powered *Active Transportation* is encouraged by phasing out motorized use.
 - ii) Notwithstanding these exceptions, only non-motorized, human powered use trails will be accepted as members of HRTA.
3. Advise, coordinate, and promote an integrated, connected trail and greenway network within HRM with consideration to HRM's AT Plan, Mobility Plan and Green Network Plan. Promote and deliver trails that are environmentally and economically sustainable, while providing trail users with quiet enjoyment of the natural world.
4. Disseminate best practice information and advocate for supporting AT and recreational trails in general: specifically, trails of the member trail community groups.
5. To be an HRTA member community trail groups must:
 - have majority – legitimate community support
 - have human powered, nature based, AT trail development as its core mandate
 - be developing, managing and operating trails in HRM
 - be a registered society under the Societies act
 - be members in good standing of Nova Scotia Trails Federation