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Yukon government works with Carcross community

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WHITEHORSE—The Government of Yukon has responded to the concerns of Carcross residents about new curbs and sidewalks being built in the community.

"Carcross residents have helped shape this development from day one," Community Services Minister Archie Lang said. "We are working closely with the community to make sure their most recent concerns are addressed."

In response to residents' feedback on the new street design, immediate changes will be made to post office parking, wheelchair access and signs. Community Services officials will stay in contact with local residents and monitor the design performance of the work.

"Carcross residents take great pride in the excellent working relationship that we have developed with the Government of Yukon over the past several years," Carcross Local Advisory Council Chair Linda Pringle said. "We have been very pleased with the many projects that have been undertaken. It is very gratifying to see that our concerns about post office parking and wheelchair access are being addressed in such a timely manner, and that other issues will be monitored and addressed as necessary."

The paved surfacing, traffic management, curbs and sidewalks are some of the final elements of a major renewal of the Carcross downtown and waterfront areas. Completed projects include the pedestrian bridge, boat launch, visitor pavilion and S.S. Tutshi memorial. Projects were identified through a two-year process involving the community to create the Carcross Downtown Core Plan.

In total, almost \$9 million has been invested in Carcross by the governments of Canada and Yukon through the Canada Strategic Infrastructure Fund and the Building Canada Fund.

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