

# Frequently Asked Questions

School Street Sewers Public Hearing and Informational Meeting  
October 13, 2016

Q: If the sewer is installed, am I required to connect?

**A: Whereas the AWPCA regulations have certain stipulations concerning this, unless the FVHD requires connection due to failure, you will not be required to connect**

Q: What is the assessment and how is it determined?

**A: The assessment is a fee charged by the AWPCA to recover the cost of the design and construction of the mainline sewer. It is paid by the property owners whose properties have direct access to the sewer on a pro-rated basis. Historically in Avon this has been determined via a straight-line method such that the costs are divided by the number of benefitting properties with considerations for zoning or other particular factors**

Q: If I decide to connect what will my costs be?

**A: Connection charge = \$2,500, Permit Fee = \$50, Hire a licensed contractor to connect from lateral stub to the home = variable; pump system with controls = \$4,500 (has options and must comply with TOA specifications)**

Q: What is a typical assessment amount?

**A: There is no "typical" – each project has its own costs and unique variables. A couple of examples: Verville Road sewer – 2008 – approximately \$8,000 per property**

**Deepwood Drive – 2010 – approximately \$12,000 per property**

**Recent bids (Paperchase, Winding Lane) – 2016 – likely around \$20,000 per property**

Q: Who will own the pump system?

**A: Each resident will own their system**

Q: What will I do if my pump system has a problem?

**A: It will be each owner's responsibility to manage their system (as they do now) If there is enough interest, the AWPCA will assist with developing an on-call maintenance program with a system representative**

Q: How will the Town determine where to locate my lateral connection?

**A: Town staff will attempt to meet with every property owner during the final design stage. The purpose of the meeting will be to discuss lateral route options so we can locate the lateral on the design plans**

Q: What is the next step?

**A: The AWPCA has to decide which direction they would like to pursue – Engineering will provide services accordingly**