

## **NEIGHBOURHOOD DESCRIPTION**

Wellington is located between 132 Avenue and 137 Avenue, and west of 127 Street to the McArthur Industrial neighbourhood. The area is part of a large parcel of land that was annexed to Edmonton in 1913. At the time, the nearest development to Wellington was the Village of Calder to the southeast, which was some miles from the developed portion of Edmonton. Development in Wellington remained low until the area was subdivided in the 1950s. Most of the remainder of the neighbourhood was developed during the 1960s, and a small amount of residential construction continued for the next couple of decades.

Single-detached houses account for almost all of the neighbourhood structures and just under three-quarters of all dwelling units. The remaining dwelling units are in semi-detached homes, row housing and low rise apartments. There is a significant row of multi-unit housing located along 140 Street on the far west side of the neighbourhood. Other multi-family parcels are located on the arterial streets that ring the neighbourhood. Single-detached homes are primarily located in the interior of the neighbourhood.

Like other neighbourhoods of its period, Wellington's design is based on a central school and park site that anchors the community. Interior streets are designed on a modified grid network. In addition to the central school and park site, Wellington also contains a variety of smaller parks. A landscaped buffer separates the Wellington neighbourhood from the industrial area on the west.

Wellington was named after Arthur Wellesley (1769-1852) who was the first Duke of Wellington and led the British victory over Napoleon at the Battle of Waterloo. Wellington Park, as the area was once known, has been the name for the neighbourhood since 1910.