



## NEIGHBOURHOOD DESCRIPTION

Hazeldean is an older neighbourhood, that was first identified as the land holding of I. Irvine, W. Ogilvie and C. Anderson. The Hazeldean area was annexed to the City of Strathcona in 1907, and by 1910 most of the area had been subdivided and was identified with the name Hazeldean. Hazeldean became part of Edmonton by the 1912 amalgamation of Edmonton and Strathcona. Although the area was subdivided early, most development did not occur until the 1950s. The majority of homes in Hazeldean were built during this period.

The majority of homes in Hazeldean are single-detached homes, although a large row housing complex was built in the 1950s in response to the oil-driven demand for rental accommodation. With Mill Creek Ravine to the east, Hazeldean residents have ready access to the North Saskatchewan River Valley park system, and a railroad right-of-way remains as a greenbelt across the neighbourhood. Most of Hazeldean's commercial operations serve local residents, although some businesses located on 99th Street and 63rd Avenue serve a wider clientele. The popular Whyte Avenue commercial area is located north of the neighbourhood, bordering the Ritchie neighbourhood.

Hazeldean is potentially a descriptive name. Both the American Hazelnut and Beaked Hazelnut are native to the area, while "dean" is a vale or a valley.