



CP SCOOP – April 14th, 2021

MUNICIPAL UPDATES

Community Improvement Plans – Virtual Open House - April 12th to 16th, 2021 - A Community Improvement Plan or CIP is a tool that allows a municipality to direct funds and implement policy initiatives toward a specifically defined project area. Community Improvement Plans are intended to encourage revitalization initiatives and/or stimulate development and redevelopment. Once implemented, the Plan allows municipalities to provide tax assistance, grants or loans to assist in the revitalization of lands and/or buildings within the defined Community Improvement Project Area (CIPA).

Purpose of the Virtual Open House

The Town of Carleton Place conducts statutory Open Houses and Public Meetings when changes are proposed to land use planning policies like the Official Plan.

It is important for the Town to understand and review the feedback of residents on amendments in order to fully appreciate and analyze the impact of those changes on property owners.

A Note About COVID

Due to the present COVID-19 pandemic, a traditional “Open House” cannot be hosted at the Town Hall.

An Open House allows residents the opportunity to view and ask questions about the amendment. Posters illustrating the proposal are available and staff are present to speak with residents.

The “Virtual” Open House will offer the same sort of viewing and commenting experience remotely.

How to Participate in the Open House



Step 1 – Review the materials provided in this [virtual package](#).



Step 2 – Think critically about how the policy change may impact you and the development of the community.



Step 3 – Provide your comments, thoughts or questions on the amendment to staff by following the links provided on the last page of the [virtual package](#).

A track-change copy of the amendment can be found on the [Development Services](#) page of the Town’s website.

Questions? Contact the Director of Development Services, Niki Dwyer at ndwyer@carletonplace.ca

Additional Bag of Waste Allowance Begins Tomorrow, Thursday, April 15th, 2021 - As a result of a resurgence of COVID-19 cases in Ontario, the province has issued another stay at home order beginning April 8th and potentially ending May 6th, 2021. Council has approved the reinstatement of one (1) additional bag of unstickered waste during the Provincial stay at home order period. Please monitor the Town's communications channels to be notified of any future changes to your collection.

Curbside Leaf Collection Period Begins April 19th - The Spring curbside leaf collection period will start on Monday, April 19th and run until Friday, April 30th. We are asking residents to adhere to the following guidelines:

- Public Works will only accept items in paper leaf bags. Items in plastic bags will not be collected.
- Bags should not exceed 15kg
- It is vital for residents to practice social distancing. Please do not approach staff collecting yard waste bags.

The Compost Yard at Patterson Crescent will open for the 2021 season on Saturday, May 1st, 2021.



Virtual Tree Care Information Session – Wednesday, May 5th - Are you a tree owner or soon-to-be tree owner and interested in learning to plant or care for trees? The Town of Carleton Place is hosting a virtual tree planting/care information session. Councillor Toby Randell will host this event and Jim McCready, our Town Arborist and tree expert, will guide residents through successful planting practices and care of your urban trees. If you are interested in attending, please email sandrews@carletonplace.ca to register before April 30th. Staff will send login information for the session no later than May 3rd.

Employment Opportunity - Come grow with us! The Town of Carleton Place is seeking an individual to fill the full-time position of **Building Inspector-Plans Examiner**.

Summary: The Building Inspector enables the Municipality to carry out its mandate under the Ontario Building Code Act and other applicable Municipal By-laws by examining drawings, plans, and specifications for all types of buildings and structures and inspecting buildings and structures.

The 2021 salary range is \$31.02 - \$39.51 per hour, and is currently under review.

A detailed job description, for this position, can be accessed on the [Employment Opportunities](#) page on the Town's website.

Interested applicants are invited to submit an application in confidence by 12:00 p.m., Thursday, April 29th, 2021 quoting Building Inspector-Plans Examiner.

PROVINCIAL UPDATES

[Canada and Ontario Invest in School Infrastructure to Respond to the Impacts of COVID-19](#) - Projects will enhance health and safety protection for students and staff - The governments of Canada and Ontario announced \$656.5 million in funding to provide critical infrastructure upgrades to protect students and staff from COVID-19 in the province's schools.

OTHER UPDATES

Leeds, Grenville and Lanark District Health Unit - COVID-19 Exposure at Scotty's Chips in Westport - As a result of a COVID-19 exposure, the Health Unit is advising patrons of Scotty's Chips in Westport who approached the service window to order or pick up food during the hours of operation from March 31st to April 9th to:

- **Monitor for symptoms carefully, even mild ones**
- **If symptoms develop:**
 - Immediately self-isolate
 - Contact the Health Unit at 1-800-660-5853
 - Get tested at a local assessment centre