



CP SCOOP – February 25th, 2021

MUNICIPAL UPDATES



Survey Closes TOMORROW - Comprehensive Review – What do you want Carleton Place to look like 20 years from now? The population of Carleton Place is expected to increase from 10,644 (2016 Census) to 20,964 by 2038. We want to hear from YOU on where and how you think this anticipated growth should occur!

The Town is in the early stages of considering how we plan for this growth and we want to ensure that EVERYONE, including residents, businesses and developers, have a say in the process.



In order to gather feedback, the team at JL Richards and Associates has developed an initial [SURVEY](#) to gauge public opinion. We want to hear YOUR thoughts about the Town's future growth. Your participation in the survey is greatly appreciated, and while the survey is anonymous, providing your contact information will allow us to keep you updated on further growth discussions!

[Please visit the survey site](#) to ensure your thoughts and opinions are captured and to get on our mailing list for future updates. **The survey will close tomorrow, Friday, February 26th, 2021.**

FEDERAL UPDATES

[Government of Canada Introduces Legislation to Increase Number of Weeks for EI Regular Benefits and to Prevent International Travellers from Qualifying for Recovery Benefits During Mandatory Quarantine](#) - Today, Minister of Employment, Workforce Development and Disability Inclusion, Carla Qualtrough, introduced Bill C-24, to increase the maximum number of weeks available to workers through EI regular benefits and give them the certainty they need should their job be affected by COVID-19. The proposed legislation would provide workers with up to a maximum of 50 weeks for claims that are established between September 27th, 2020 and September 25th, 2021.

PROVINCIAL UPDATES

[Ontario Taking Steps to Make it Easier and Safer to Participate in Provincial Elections](#) - **New legislation would help modernize the voting process in a COVID-19 environment** - The Ontario government is taking steps to make it easier and safer for people to vote, become a candidate and protect provincial elections against outside influence and interference. The *Protecting Ontario Elections Act, 2021* would, if passed, help guard against threats such as the long-term impacts of the

COVID-19 pandemic, under-regulated third-party advertising, irregular campaign spending and collusion.

OTHER UPDATES

[Carleton Place & District Memorial Hospital – Vaccine Video](#) - Local physicians Dr. Robert Courchene, Dr. Jamie Fullerton, and Dr. Steven Walker share their thoughts on the COVID-19 vaccines, vaccine development, and the administering of vaccines in our community.

