



CP SCOOP – March 23rd, 2021

MUNICIPAL UPDATES

Virtual Council and Committee of the Whole Meetings - The Town of Carleton Place Council will hold its Council and Committee of the Whole meetings via Zoom tonight, Tuesday, March 23rd starting at 7:00 p.m. The agenda and associated documents are available on the [Town's website](#). Members of the public can view the meeting online via [Zoom](#) or a live stream to the [Town Hall Facebook](#) page.

Carleton Place Public Library Offers Assistance with Vaccination Portal Registration - Starting today, you can stop by the Station at 132 Coleman Street, between 1:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m., and Library staff can help you register for your vaccine appointment if you are eligible to register. Please visit the [Provincial Booking Website](#) to research your eligibility.

The Leeds, Grenville and Lanark Booking Center is open for registration, as well as the Ontario Online portal. People who need help with online registration may stop by the Station for help. We can guide you through the process or do it for you. Please wear a mask and expect some delays if we are busy with other community members, as we only have one computer station dedicated to the process.

You will need your Health Card, an email address (or we can use a general one for you), and personal identification. All information will be kept confidential during the process and will not be kept on record. We will print an appointment reminder for you, but all appointment information will be deleted after your registration, so it is up to you to retain.

If you'd rather book over the phone, you may call the Leeds, Grenville, and Lanark Booking Center toll-free at 1-844-369-1234 from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., seven (7) days a week only until early April. You can also call the Ontario Booking line toll-free at 1-888-999-6488 from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Monday – Sunday.

Curbside Leaf Collection Begins in APRIL - The Public Works Department is asking residents not to place their paper leaf bags at the curb at this time. Curbside leaf collection is scheduled to begin on April 19th, 2021.

Bare Root Tree Planting Program - In an effort to ensure the Town of Carleton Place's tree population is maintained and enhanced for years to come, we are making trees available to Town of Carleton Place residents at a subsidized rate. For **\$25.00** (taxes included) a tree of 25mm (1 inch) in thickness and 6' to 8' in height will be made available.

Species available are:

Large Trees

Autumn Blaze Maple
Sugar Maple
Red Oak
Bur Oak
Hackberry

Smaller Trees

Serviceberry (Tree Form)
Honey Locust
Showy Mountain Ash
McIntosh Apple
Cortland Apple

Prior to selecting your tree, please consider the proposed location for the tree. Residents need to ensure it will have sufficient space and consider its size for the location in years to come. There are a limited number of trees available. Trees will be provided on a first-come, first-served basis and there is a limit of two (2) trees per household.

Trees are available ONLY to taxpayers of the Town of Carleton Place and must be planted within Town limits.

Residents must be aware there is only a two (2) week period this year to collect the trees from the nursery and no refunds will be provided for uncollected trees. Residents must obtain locates from Ontario One Call (www.ontarioonecall.ca) in advance of planting the trees. There is no fee for acquiring locates and obtaining locates can take two (2) to three (3) weeks to acquire all the necessary clearances prior to digging.

Due to Covid-19 precautions, this year's tree planting information session will be available virtually. Participants must be registered prior to the event. The virtual information session is currently scheduled for: **Thursday, May 5th at 7:00 p.m.**

Because these trees are subsidized, anyone who has their name on a tree list must attend (or have previously attended) the information session to be eligible for a tree voucher.

Residents **must call** prior to the session in order to be placed on a list for a tree. Call 613-257-2253 to have your name placed on the list or leave a message providing your **name, address, telephone number and tree desired** and your name will be placed on the list. Residents must pay for their trees at the Carleton Place Town Hall.

Notice of Public Meeting and Open House - In accordance with Section 21 of the Planning Act for the Amendment of the Official Plan.

TAKE NOTICE that a virtual open house will be hosted between April 12th-16th, 2021 in order to consider the proposed Amendment to the Official Plan. The virtual materials will be available on the Town's website.

AND TAKE NOTICE that a Virtual Public Meeting will be held on April 27th, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. in the Town of Carleton Place to consider a proposed Amendment to the Official Plan in accordance with Section 21 of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter P.13.

TAKE NOTICE that in accordance with the Section 21 of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter P.13, this notice is to advise that there is sufficient information and supporting documentation to deem the Amendment complete.

TAKE NOTICE that if you wish to be notified of the decision of Town of Carleton Place on the proposed Official Plan Amendment, you must make a written request to the Development Services Department at ndwyer@carletonplace.ca.

COVID-19 MEASURES

OPEN HOUSE – The Open House will be a virtual format. Presentation materials will be made available on the Municipality’s website and participants are encouraged to review the material and provide comments on the comment sheets provided to the Development Services Department.

PUBLIC MEETING - Residents interested in actively participating in the virtual Public Meeting are required to notify the Clerk of the Municipality at sblair@carletonplace.ca by the Tuesday one week in advance of the meeting date.

PROVIDING COMMENT - Residents are encouraged to provide comments in writing or telephone by contacting the Development Services Department at ndwyer@carletonplace.ca or 613-257-6202.

Purpose and Effect of Amendment:

The purpose of the amendment is to make changes to Policy Section 6.15 of the Official Plan in order to clearly articulate the goals and objectives of Community Improvement Plans as defined under Section 28 of the Planning Act. The policy amendment will also recognize affordable housing, façade improvements, and energy efficiency projects as qualifiable proposals.

The Town must have enabling language within the Official Plan in order to adopt a Community Improvement Plan under the Planning Act. It is the intention of the Town of Carleton Place to develop a Community Improvement Plan by 2022, and future consultation in accordance with the Planning Act will be scheduled to discuss and review the details of the plan.

A track-change copy of the proposed amendments and general information regarding the purpose of a Community Improvement Plan is available to view at <https://carletonplace.ca/development-services-2.php>.

Property(ies) Impacted by Amendment:

The proposed amendment is general in nature and will impact all properties within the Town of Carleton Place.

Legal Text:

Any person may attend the public meeting and/or make written or verbal representation either in support of or in opposition to the proposed policies in the Official Plan Amendment. If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at the public meeting, or make written submissions to the Town of Carleton Place before the Official Plan Amendment is passed, the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decision of the Council to the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal.

If a person or public body does not make oral submission at the public meeting, or make written submissions to the Town of Carleton Place for Official Plan Amendment before the by-law is passed, the person or public body may not be added as a party to the hearing of an appeal to the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal, unless, in the opinion of the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal, there are reasonable grounds to do so.

Additional information in relation to the proposed amendment is available for inspection between 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday-Thursday and 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Friday in the Development Services Department at the Town Hall, or by calling 613-257-6202 or by visiting the website at <http://carletonplace.ca/development-services-2.php> .

OTHER UPDATES

Leeds, Grenville & Lanark District Health Unit - Health Unit Pausing Some Services to Manage COVID-19 Cases and Vaccine Distribution - The Health Unit will pause some services until April 9th, 2021 to be able to effectively manage and contact trace positive cases of COVID-19, and to continue with the COVID-19 vaccine roll out.

“This temporary change allows us to focus on managing the high volume of COVID-19 cases and high risk contacts while continuing to move forward with our COVID-19 vaccine distribution plan” explains Dr. Paula Stewart, Medical Officer of Health for the Leeds, Grenville and Lanark District Health Unit.

During this temporary change phone lines remain open from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., seven (7) days a week at 1-800-660-5853; and by calling 613-345-5685 after-hours for emergencies.

Temporary Changes to Services:

- SmarkWorks services are available at Brockville and Smiths Falls offices; and service can be requested at a different site if needed.
- Coolers and sample bottles for well-water testing are available at Brockville and Smiths Falls offices.
- Breastfeeding, sexual health, and non-COVID immunization clinics are cancelled. Clients with urgent breastfeeding, sexual health, or non-COVID immunization issues can contact the Health Unit at 1-800-660-5853.

COVID-19 Services Available:

- Case and Contact staff continue to complete case management and contact tracing for positive cases of COVID-19.
- Outbreak staff continue to manage suspect and confirmed outbreaks of COVID-19
- Public Health Inspectors continue to complete high-priority inspections and respond to complaints.
- COVID-19 vaccine clinics continue to operate as scheduled - For more information about eligibility and booking appointments, visit: <https://healthunit.org/covid-19-vaccine/>
- Assessment Centres are open for testing: <https://healthunit.org/health-information/covid-19/assessment-testing-results/>.

Information about Health Unit services is available by visiting <https://healthunit.org/service-changes/> or follow us on Facebook and Twitter @LGLHealthunit.

Almonte General Hospital Says A Big Thank You to Our Neighbours - We have been proud and excited to add a COVID-19 Vaccination Clinic to the COVID-19 assessment and testing services offered on-site at Almonte General Hospital (AGH). The collaborative team of staff and physicians from Almonte General Hospital, Carleton Place & District Memorial Hospital, Lanark County Paramedic Service and Ottawa Valley Family Health Team are very pleased to work alongside our colleagues from Leeds, Grenville and Lanark District Health Unit to offer vaccinations close to home for the communities we serve.

This extra activity has challenged the capacity of our parking lot and has generated a lot more traffic around the hospital - including some people who are not quite sure where they are going. We know that the streets around the hospital have been busier and that this impacts the people who live here.

“On behalf of the combined healthcare team and all the people who have received vaccinations at the AGH clinic, I would like to extend a big thank you to our neighbours for your understanding and patience with the extra cars and activity around your homes,” notes Mary Wilson Trider, President & CEO. “Your support for this aspect of our efforts to overcome the pandemic is greatly appreciated.”