

# Corporation of the Town of Carleton Place

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## NEWS RELEASE

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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

This afternoon, a special emergency meeting of Council was held with Senior Staff to assess the evolving COVID-19 situation. The Province is taking significant steps to limit the transmission of the COVID-19 virus including recommendations to limit the spread through communities.

Council has made the proactive decision to protect its staff and the public by approving the following measures which may impact you:

- Closure of all Town-owned facilities to the public effective immediately including
  - Town Hall – staff can be reached by email or phone
  - The Station – Active Living Centre
  - Neelin Street Community Centre
  - Carleton Place Pool
  - Carambeck Community Centre
  - Carleton Place Public Library
  - The Carleton Place Canoe Club
- The cancellation of all Town-run events and programming
- The cancellation of all private functions held at any of the above-mentioned facilities.

For inquiries regarding rental facilities, please contact the Recreation Department directly at 613-257-1690.

- All Childcare programs at both Carambeck and 3 Francis Street Childcare Centre will be closed to the public effective 6:00 p.m. Monday, March 16, 2020 however, for your safety, we strongly encourage parents to secure alternate care immediately if possible. For Childcare inquiries, please contact the Childcare Centre directly at 613-253-0597.



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- All regularly scheduled Advisory Committee / Committee of the Whole and Council meetings will be cancelled until March 31, 2020 and will be re-assessed at that time.

The Town will continue to monitor the situation as it evolves and take direction from the Federal government, Provincial government and Health Unit. As always, we encourage all residents to be prudent and follow the directive from the Health Unit on how to protect themselves and their family.

Mayor Doug Black stated “Council and I want to reassure the public that all necessary measures are being taken to protect the community of Carleton Place from the potential effects of the COVID-19 virus.”

Pascal Meunier, Director of Protective Services further noted “Essential services such as OPP, Fire, Public Works, By-law Enforcement and Building Inspection will continue to be provided for the safety and well-being of our residents,”

For any payments owing to the Town, options include online or telephone banking, mailing a cheque to the Town Hall or dropping a payment off in the mail slot at the Police Station located at 15 Coleman Street.

