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COVID-19 UPDATE #16

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The Town of Carleton Place continues to monitor new information regarding the COVID-19 pandemic.

Municipal Updates

The Carleton Place Recreation & Culture Department continues to strive to be proactive in providing safe recreational opportunities in this ever-changing COVID-19 pandemic.

On March 25, playground equipment was closed as it posed a threat due to the fact that those surfaces are not disinfected, and therefore the spread of potentially dangerous germs was possible. However, the Department felt that the Skatepark and Pump Track were acceptable recreation options, provided participants would follow the physical distancing guidelines.

Unfortunately, we have received a significant amount of feedback that indicated participants are utilizing these facilities in groups, and this presents a safety concern to our residents.

With this in mind, and due to the Provincial Government Order under the Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act prohibiting organized public events and social gatherings of more than five (5) people, we feel it is the responsible decision to close the Skate Park, Pump Track and Dog Parks effective immediately.

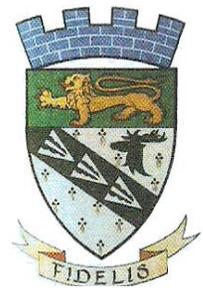
Department staff will be setting up barricades and caution tape on Monday, March 30th and we ask that the public assist in reporting any vandalism to the Recreation & Culture Department at: (613) 257-1690 or on their facebook page and to the OPP by calling 1-888-310-1122.

We thank you for your understanding and look forward to opening up all of our indoor and outdoor recreation amenities as soon as possible.



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Federal Government Updates

Today, Prime Minister Justin Trudeau announced a wage subsidy program for businesses and non-profit organizations seeing a drop of at least 30% in revenue which will see the Federal Government cover 75% of a salary on the first \$58,700 which could mean payments of up to \$847 a week. More details of the program will be unveiled later today and will be covered in tomorrow's update.

Provincial Government Updates

On the advice of the Provincial Officer of Health, it is strongly recommended individuals over 70 years of age self-isolate. For more information, please click [here](#)

The Province has proclaimed the Supply Chain Management Act to ensure that urgently needed critical goods and services are deployed to where they are needed most to protect the supply chains in Ontario. See more information [here](#)

Leeds, Grenville, Lanark District Health Unit Updates

The Leeds, Grenville and Lanark District Health Unit has received confirmation of 15 cases of COVID-19 as of March 29 at noon – 3 long-term care residents, 1 long-term care staff member, 8 isolating at home and 3 in hospital.

“The increase in the number of people in our community who have tested positive for COVID-19 reinforces the importance of people staying at home as much as possible, and staying 6 feet, or two arms lengths away, from others when in public places to reduce the spread of COVID-19,” recommends Dr. Paula Stewart, Medical Officer of Health. In addition, staying home when sick, coughing into your sleeve, washing hands frequently with soap and water or hand sanitizer, and cleaning commonly touched surfaces will reduce the risk of people becoming ill.

