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From: Steve and Kim Gravefell <ksgrfell@icloud.com>
Sent: June 23, 2026 8:12 AM
To: tgorgerat@khrtownship.ca; mayor@khrtownship.ca; Bil Smith; Councillor Brian Pecoskie; Councillor Maureen MacMillan; Ted Browne; councillorkuehl@khrtownship.ca; Harold Lavigne
Subject: Herbicide Spraying

Good morning everyone,

We sent a letter last year to council with examples of our concerns of the hazards of spraying herbicides on our lands. Herbicide is glyphosate; aka Roundup = poison. Council put this on hold and we are unsure where this is now? Other communities have stopped it permanently and have done what Quebec has done, remove plants by manual brushing. This way it does not kill the bees, animals and land in our yards, on our gardens we eat from and our grass and trees that become dry and brittle, hence the large amount of fires in our area. Glyphosate is used by farmers to dry out grain crops for harvest. Add this to Hydro One laying off workers that use to do preventative maintenance by removing trees leaning on lines until last year. Now during winds storms we have more downed lines that are landing on our dry and brittle grasses and trees causing multiple fires.

Oddly we thank the indigenous people every council meeting for the lands we share, the very same lands they have been asking us for years to stop spraying glyphosate on. We need to stop the spray.

We have to stop poisoning our ecosystem and our families. We would like to know how council is going to move forward on this to eliminate poisonous spraying? The argument that the logging industry needs this to keep their business viable is a lame excuse as it can be done manually since Quebec has done this for over 25 years successfully. They can do this properly to make sure we are not poisoned by our water, air and plants that we all consume and to help stop more fires.

Steve and Kim Gravefell
(We would like this read at the next council meeting)

Here is the recent video of a retired 21 year MP speaking of how the pesticide industry still functions after scientific results show the hazards of herbicide spraying.



THE PESTICIDE SCHEME - DEMOCRACY DIES IN THE BACKROOM
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RELEASE DATE:
June 23, 2026

Warden's Golf Tournament raises $17,500 for Renfrew County Food Banks

Although rain threatened throughout the day, the spirits of nearly 150 golfers were not dampened as they hit the links for the 19th annual Renfrew County Warden's Golf Tournament on June 19.

The fundraising tournament, hosted by Renfrew County Warden Jennifer Murphy, was held at the Whitetail Golf Club in the Township of North Algona Wilberforce, near Eganville. The participants enjoyed 18 holes of golf, fun contests along the way, lunch on the go, and dinner to finish the day, all while helping to raise $17,500, which will be divided equally between 10 food banks across Renfrew County.

When it came time to select a beneficiary for the proceeds of this year's tournament, Warden Murphy said the decision was an easy one. Having witnessed firsthand the growing demand at the Eganville and District Food Bank since moving to the community, she recognized the urgent need to support food banks across Renfrew County.

"With food insecurity continuing to grow in our communities, this tournament provides an important opportunity to support food banks across Renfrew County," said Warden Murphy. "I am truly overwhelmed by the generosity shown here today. The support has far exceeded my expectations, and these funds will go a long way toward helping individuals and families in need throughout our communities. I cannot thank everyone enough for their kindness and commitment."

The Warden expressed her gratitude to the golfers and the sponsors who contributed to the overall success of the day and the staff of Whitetail for helping to make the day so special.

Since its inception in 2005, the Warden's Golf Tournament has raised nearly $96,000 for various charities and organizations across Renfrew County.

"The success of the Warden's Golf Tournament is a testament to the generosity and commitment of our community. Because of the support shown by sponsors, golfers, staff and volunteers, we are able to make a meaningful impact on organizations which need it most. It is truly heartening to see so many people come together for such important causes each year," Warden Murphy added.

Once the scores were tallied, a new champion was crowned – the Four Horsemen – which shot a 61 on the day. The team consisted of Dennis Lazary, Garry Davis, Pedro Regalo and Nick Preyde.

We would also like to thank our generous sponsors, without whom this tournament would not have been such a success: Greenwood Paving, Amaco Equipment Solutions, Everest Equipment, Irvcon Limited, Trackmatics Inc., JRG Plumbing, Pinchin, DKI/Helferty Restoration, Mike Holmes Inspections – Renfrew County, Freightliner North Bay, MIS Municipal Insurance Services, Gourley's Outdoors, GINCOR Werx, Leveque Bros., Jp2g Consultants Inc., Terapro Construction, Menard Law, Cowan, Sysco, Hicks Morley, St. Michael's Insurance, Rondeau Electric 1997 Ltd., White's Wearparts Ltd., The Gutter Guys, Colliers Project Leaders, BEI – Bonnechere Excavating Inc., Vice and Hunter LLP, Emond Harnden, Dell, Elite Window Cleaning, Yemen Electric and Roth IAMS.

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Cutline: Renfrew County Warden Jennifer Murphy (centre) presents the Warden's Cup to the Four Horsemen, winners of the 19th annual Warden's Golf Tournament, held June 19 at the Whitetail Golf Club near Eganville. Team members (from left) are Pedro Regalo, Nick Preyde, Garry Davis and Dennis Lazary. The team shot a 61 on the day. County of Renfrew photo


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Public letter of concern to KHR TWP councillors and mayor
PROPERTY STANDARDS BY-LAW

Request for Public Reading: *I am submitting this letter with the clear expectation that it be read aloud in full during the public session of the next Council meeting and entered into the official public record. This correspondence concerns township-wide governance and Property Standards issues that directly affect the community, and therefore must be addressed transparently and publicly.*

June 24, 2026

To the Mayor and Members of Council

I am writing in response to the Property Standards discussion held on **June 22nd**, a meeting that made it clear why our township continues to struggle with issues that should have been addressed years ago. What I witnessed was not simply a delay — it was a demonstration of dysfunction that has allowed standards to decline across streets in this township.

A month ago, the Mayor declared an *emergency* and called for a *blitz* to address the crisis in Property Standards. At that time, council appeared united in the need for urgent action. Yet one month later, the emergency has produced more delays. The momentum that should have followed the Mayor's declaration has instead dissolved into hesitation and uncertainty.

During the June 22nd meeting, council became stalled by fear of reputational risk and an unwillingness to sign their names to enforcement. This hesitation is difficult to reconcile with the fact that councillors openly referenced specific problem properties — the Jeep on King Street, derelict vehicles, and the abandoned houses with broken glass and busted doors at the entrance to town from Queen Street. These comments show that council is already aware of the issues and has already made their concerns public. The reluctance to act is not protecting reputations; it is damaging them.

The focus on tall grass during the meeting was especially troubling. Grass is not the crisis. The crisis is derelict vehicles, unsafe yards, garbage accumulation, abandoned structures, and the steady decline of neighbourhood standards across the township. When safety concerns are buried under fear of upsetting chronic offenders, the community pays the price.

This avoidance ignores the many benefits that strong Property Standards bring:

- safer neighbourhoods
- higher property values
- reduced fire and emergency hazards
- improved community pride and participation
- long-term cost savings for the municipality
- a stronger housing market
- better conditions for business investment

These are not abstract ideas. They are real, measurable outcomes that responsible municipalities prioritize.

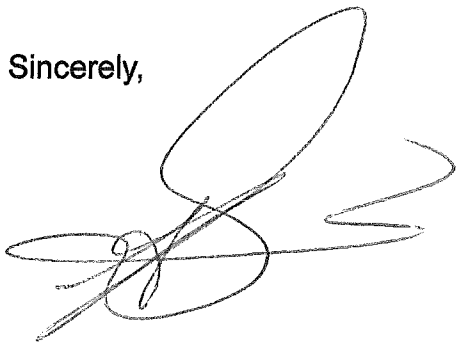
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The dysfunction on display on June 22nd — the lack of clarity, the avoidance of responsibility, the absence of follow-up — is the reason proposals never move forward. It is why residents lose faith. It is why complaints sit unresolved for years. It is why our township continues to decline while others progress. The Property Standards by-law exists and has been in place decades ago. People have complained and were left unserved and unacknowledged. It took a mayor and a councillor to bring it back and there are still problems with it.

If I must be the only resident willing to file a formal complaint, then I will. And if my name ends up in the trash, it can sit with the trash that has already been allowed to accumulate across this township. I am not afraid to stand behind my words. I am asking council to stand behind theirs — and to remember that your obligations and responsibilities are clearly outlined in the Ontario Municipal Act, which exists to guide elected officials in serving the public interest, ensuring accountability, and upholding the standards expected of municipal governance.

Residents deserve a municipal government that responds to concerns, maintains a safe and organized township, and demonstrates leadership instead of hesitation. These are not political talking points — they are basic responsibilities outlined in the Ontario Municipal Act. The people who elected you expect accountability and action, not delays, excuses, or paralysis.

Sincerely,



Alex Blais
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Medical Officer of Health Report to the Board

June 25th, 2026

HEALTH PROTECTION

Immunization

Immunization Surveillance for Licensed Child Care:
RCDHU is working with licensed child care operators across Renfrew County and District (RCD) to begin immunization surveillance in accordance with the Child Care and Early Years Act. There are 28 licensed child care facilities in RCD, with approximately 1102 enrolled children. Staff have reviewed immunization records for all enrolled children. On June 5th, 2026, 271 immunization notices were issued to parents and legal guardians of children with incomplete records or overdue immunizations required for child care attendance. Families requiring immunization services may book an appointment at an RCDHU community clinic or visit their health care provider. Parents and legal guardians are responsible for reporting updated immunization records to both the child care provider and RCDHU.

COVID-19 Vaccine:
The Spring 2026 COVID-19 vaccination campaign, running from April to June, targets individuals at higher risk of severe infection. Eligible individuals can receive vaccinations at participating pharmacies, participating health care providers, and RCDHU clinics.

As of May 27th, 2026, all 12 planned mobile clinics in retirement homes had been completed, along with one mobile clinic in a congregate care setting. As of June 9th, 2026, RCDHU had administered 572 COVID-19 vaccine doses for the Spring campaign through clinics and mobile services.

Grade 7 Program:
RCDHU completed all second-round Grade 7 school-based immunization clinics for the 2025-2026 school year between early March and the last week of May. Across 36 school clinics, 1359 doses of hepatitis B, meningococcal, and human papillomavirus vaccines were administered to eligible students. Compared with the second round of the 2024-2025 school year, the doses administered increased from 1259 to 1359 (8%). Staff have completed follow-up with students

Cold Chain Inspections:
RCDHU's vaccine inventory team is preparing for annual cold chain inspections at all facilities in RCD that order and store publicly funded vaccines. Approximately 120 vaccine storage units are expected to be inspected in 2026. Inspections are scheduled from June to August, and 25 had been completed as of June 9th, 2026.

Healthy Environments

Recreational Water Program:

Beach water sampling is scheduled to begin the week of June 15th and will continue through to the end of August as part of seasonal recreational water monitoring. Regular sampling throughout the summer helps assess water quality at designated beaches and supports timely public health communication when results indicate that swimming conditions may pose a risk to the public. There are 30 beaches that will be sampled this summer.

Legionnaires' disease:

A memorandum is being sent to health care providers to raise awareness of legionellosis (Legionnaires' disease) in response to an early seasonal increase in cases reported across Ontario. Locally, one case of legionellosis has been investigated in 2026. Since 2020, there have been 3 reported cases of legionellosis in RCD. The notice reminds providers to maintain clinical vigilance for patients presenting with pneumonia or compatible respiratory symptoms, particularly among older adults and others at higher risk of severe illness. A similar communication will also be distributed to congregate living facilities to reinforce prevention, early recognition, and timely reporting in settings that serve more vulnerable populations.

Vector Borne Disease Program:

A media release was distributed in early June to raise awareness about ticks and tick-borne diseases and to remind the public to take preventive measures as tick activity increases during the spring and summer months. The release encourages residents to check themselves, children, and pets for ticks after spending time outdoors, wear long sleeves and pants in wooded or grassy areas, and to use effective insect repellent. It also highlighted the importance of early tick removal and monitoring for symptoms of tick-borne illness such as Lyme disease.

Active tick surveillance (tick dragging) was completed at four surveillance locations in May to monitor local tick activity. Only one of the four locations yielded a tick, suggesting low tick presence at the sites sampled during this round of surveillance.

The West Nile virus mosquito surveillance program will begin on the week of June 21st and will last 10 weeks. This monitoring program tests mosquitoes for West Nile virus and Eastern Equine Encephalitis - diseases transmitted by mosquitoes to humans.

Emergency Preparedness and Response

RCD experienced localized flooding this past spring. RCDHU staff participated in 15 freshet meetings with municipalities and the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks. The freshet meeting group stood down on May 20th. Several municipalities along the Ottawa River experienced localized flooding. RCDHU continues to offer well water testing for residents and is actively promoting testing through its social media platforms to support community health and safety.

As flooding and wildfire concerns continue in Ontario, RCDHU previously reported in May that it was exploring opportunities to support First Nation evacuation planning with the local Indigenous community and the Ministry of Health. RCDHU was recently made aware that it is no longer considered a possible destination for evacuees as other regions with greater capacity and supports have been chosen. RCDHU remains committed to supporting partners in future evacuation planning efforts.

HEALTH PROMOTION AND INFECTIOUS DISEASES

Nurse-Family Partnership (NFP) Program

RCDHU is launching the Nurse-Family Partnership program, making it one of eight public health units in Ontario currently delivering this initiative.

NFP is an evidence-based program that supports expectant mothers—particularly those with low incomes—from early pregnancy until their child is approximately two years of age. Each participant is paired with a public health nurse (PHN) who provides regular home visits, fostering a trusted relationship and offering personalized guidance. The program focuses on promoting healthy pregnancies through education on prenatal care, nutrition, and risk reduction, while also preparing mothers for childbirth and early parenting.

NFP also aims to improve child health and development and enhance maternal self-sufficiency. PHNs support parents in understanding child development, strengthening caregiver-child relationships, and achieving developmental milestones. The program further assists mothers in setting long-term goals related to education, employment, and life planning, with connections to community resources as needed. Evidence shows NFP contributes to improved maternal and child outcomes, reduced child maltreatment, and increased family stability. Furthermore, NFP was a priority program identified under the prevention pillar of the Renfrew County and District Drug Strategy.

To support implementation, staff capacity is being strengthened through enhanced training. Five PHNs and the program manager will participate in a five-day, in-person training session beginning in June to ensure consistent, high-quality service delivery.

Renfrew County and District Drug Strategy

The Renfrew County and District Drug Strategy has entered its second year of implementation. To mark this milestone, the Steering Committee convened on June 11th to evaluate progress on the 25 identified priorities and to determine areas of focus for the remainder of 2026.

Ongoing monitoring and surveillance of local substance use medical emergencies identified an increase in calls to emergency services over Victoria Day weekend. In response, a Drug Toxicity Response Plan partner communication was issued to inform them of the increase and reinforce harm reduction key messages.

Similar trends are being observed across provincial and national jurisdictions, with rising substance use–related emergency calls. These increases are largely attributed to the growing presence of high potency opioids in combination with veterinary tranquilizers and benzodiazepine-related substances within the fentanyl supply. This was noted in the most recent report from Toronto's Drug Checking Service where they found that 87% of the expected fentanyl samples contained at least one other central nervous and/or respiratory system depressant, including veterinary tranquilizers and/or benzodiazepine-related drugs. Using high potency opioids in combination with other central nervous and/or respiratory system depressants increases the risk of dangerous suppression of vitals (e.g., slowing down of breathing, blood pressure, and heart rate) while also complicating overdose response. Harm reduction and outreach staff are working with Algonquins of Pikwakanagan Mental

Health and Health Services teams to increase harm reduction services through education and improved access.

Since the last report, there have been 3 additional suspect drug toxicity deaths, bringing the total to 13 in 2026. Emergency department visits remain relatively low with 11 visits as of May 24th.

Public Health Outreach and Sexual Health

RCDHU's Outreach team has expanded its presence and services offered throughout RCD as warmer weather arrives. Overall, outreach events have increased by 50%, with a total of 20 Outreach events in May and a similar number projected for the month of June. Sexually transmitted and blood-borne infection (STBBI) testing has been successfully expanded to new partner locations to better meet the needs of community partners and improve access to sexual health screening services.

The Mesa Mobile Outreach Drug Testing Partnership Program, which offers mobile, real-time drug checking, has continued throughout the month of May with collaborative events occurring in Arnprior, Renfrew, and Killaloe. As of May 29th, a total of 13 drug samples had been tested, and clients were supported with real-time information to make safer, informed decisions.

SPRITE (the Syphilis Point-of-Care Rapid Testing and Immediate Treatment Evaluation study) testing for STBBIs continues to be offered at suitable Outreach Team events and at RCDHU's Pembroke office. Since its implementation in August of 2024, RCDHU nurses have completed 238 tests for syphilis, HIV, and HCV for individuals at higher risk of infection. Individuals who tested positive have been treated and/or referred to appropriate specialists.

Nutrition – 2026 Nutritious Food Basket Costing

In June, RCDHU commenced annual Nutritious Food Basket costing at local grocery stores across RCD as development of the 2026 Monitoring Food Affordability in Renfrew County and District report gets underway. Costing is conducted during this period across Ontario public health units to support consistency in data collection and strengthen the comparability of findings across jurisdictions. This work remains an important component of ongoing public health surveillance related to food affordability and household food insecurity.

Infectious Diseases

Rabies Post-Exposure Prophylaxis Initiative:
On May 15th, 2026, RCDHU implemented a Rabies Post-Exposure Prophylaxis (RPEP) program to support its primary/urgent care partners and clients by directly offering RPEP throughout RCD.

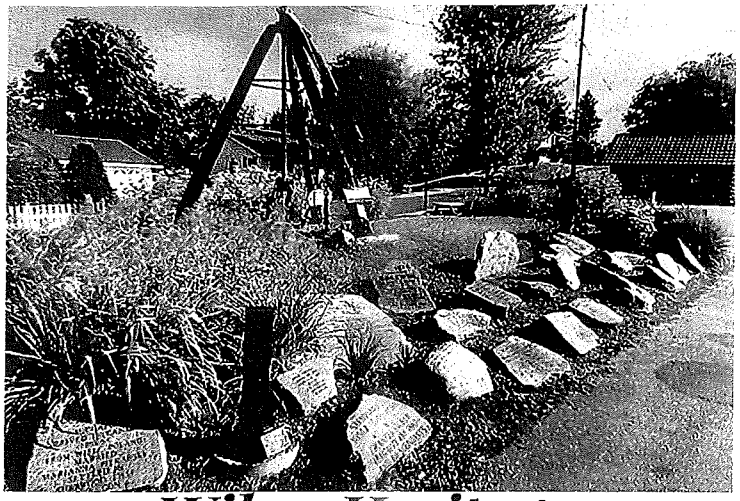
Historically, health care providers in hospital emergency departments have been responsible for administering the full RPEP regimen, including immunoglobulin and the day 0 vaccine dose, followed by vaccine doses on days 3, 7, 14, and 28 (for immunocompromised patients).

As of mid-May, the infectious disease team, healthy environments team, and emergency departments have collaborated in developing a new care pathway by offering patients days 3, 7, 14, and 28 doses at RCDHU as part of regular case management. This reduces the burden on emergency department health care providers, maintains the highest standard of care, improves the patient experience by providing one-on-one follow-up with reduced or zero wait time, and helps to reduce system-level emergency department wait times.

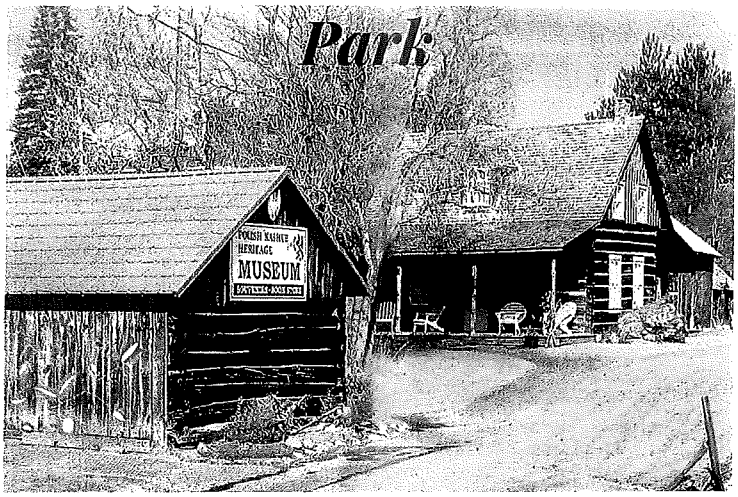
Ebola Outbreak Update (DRC and Uganda):
On May 15th, 2026, the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC) and Uganda declared an Ebola outbreak caused by the Bundibugyo virus. There are no suspected or confirmed cases in Ontario, and the risk to local residents remains low. RCDHU's Infectious Disease team is monitoring the situation closely and supporting partners with preparedness. The Ministry of Health is working with health system partners to strengthen testing and treatment readiness.

Submitted by:

Dr. Jason Morgenstern
Medical Officer of Health
Renfrew County and District Health Unit



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Thank you for your donation of $1,000.00 to the Nulka Heritage park.

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Ursula Jeffrey
Treasurer
Nulka Heritage Society

June 25, 2026

Killaloe Public School
100 Queen St
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Re: Raffle Prizes for Cozy Carnival Community Event at Killaloe Public School

Dear Community Partner,

Killaloe Public School (KPS) consists of approximately 120 elementary school students, facilitating Junior Kindergarten to Grade 8. Each year, KPS likes to host a community fun-filled event with games, activities, bouncy castles, concession food and raffle prizes. This year, the event is called the "Cozy Carnival" taking place on Thursday, October 1st, 2026. Money raised from this event supports the students of KPS and their end of school year activities.

End of school year activities consist of memorable events and outings for the students. These types of programs are supported by fundraising throughout the school year.

We are asking for our wonderful network of community-based businesses or private individuals to donate to our fundraising campaign. Specifically, raffle prizes would be greatly appreciated!

Your donation will have a significant impact on the students of KPS.

Donations can be dropped off at the school or arrangements can be made for pickup between **August 24 and September 14, 2026**. For further information or to make a contribution, please contact Katherine Welk at katherine.joyce77@gmail.com or by calling KPS at 613-757-2091.

Thank you for your consideration. Every contribution helps!

Katherine Welk
KPS School Council Chair

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Cc: Stevenson, Kari <KStevenson@ptbocounty.ca>; Martin, Marissa <MMartin@ptbocounty.ca>
Subject: County of Peterborough Resolution - Request for Provincial Action on the Accuracy of Municipal Voters Lists

Good morning,

Please see the attached Resolution from the Corporation of the County of Peterborough regarding the accuracy of Municipal Voters Lists.

This Resolution was passed at the June 24, 2026 regular Meeting of County Council.

Best regards,
Sam

Clerks Department
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Resolution No. 129-2026

Moved by Councillor Carolyn Amyotte

Seconded by Councillor Carol Armstrong

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Whereas Elections Ontario has acknowledged the discrepancies and is planning to address them;

Now therefore be it resolved that the Corporation of the County of Peterborough urges the Province of Ontario to immediately encourage prioritization of the review of data specifically related to non-resident property owners to ensure voter lists are as accurate as possible prior to August 14, 2026; and

That this resolution be forwarded to the Premier, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the local MPPs, AMO, ROMA, AMCTO, EOWC, FOCA, all Ontario municipalities and the eight lower-tier Township Clerks for support.

Sincerely,

Kari Stevenson

Director of Legislative Services/Clerk

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Subject: Town of Whitby Resolution # 166-26, Review of the Ontario Land Tribunal and Enhancing Deference to Municipal Planning Decisions

Good afternoon,

Please see that attached correspondence pertaining to Resolution # 166-26, Review of the Ontario Land Tribunal and Enhancing Deference to Municipal Planning Decisions, which was endorsed by Whitby Town Council at its meeting held on June 22, 2026.

Thank you.

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June 25, 2026

Via Email

The Honourable Doug Ford
Premier of Ontario
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Re: Review of the Ontario Land Tribunal and Enhancing Deference to Municipal Planning Decisions

Please be advised that at its meeting held on June 22, 2026, the Council of the Town of Whitby adopted the following as Resolution # 166-26:

> Whereas local councils are elected by residents to make planning decisions that reflect the needs and priorities of their communities;
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> Whereas municipalities rely on extensive public consultation, professional planning advice, engineering studies, and technical reports when making land-use decisions;
>
> Whereas the Ontario Land Tribunal (OLT) has the authority to overturn municipal planning decisions, often requiring municipalities to spend significant taxpayer dollars defending decisions that have already undergone a thorough local review process;
>
> Whereas lengthy and costly appeals can delay housing projects, consume municipal resources, and reduce the ability of municipalities to focus on delivering services to residents; and,
>
> Whereas local governments should have greater certainty and authority when decisions are consistent with approved Official Plans, provincial policies, and sound planning principles.
>
> Now Therefore be it Resolved:
>
> 1. That the Government of Ontario be requested to review the role and mandate of the Ontario Land Tribunal to ensure greater respect for municipal planning decisions that are supported by evidence, public consultation, and approved planning policies;

2. That the Province consider amendments to the Planning Act and Ontario Land Tribunal Act to provide stronger deference to municipal decisions that align with provincial planning frameworks and Official Plans;

3. That the Province improve transparency and accountability within the Ontario Land Tribunal by requiring clear and detailed reasoning when municipal decisions are overturned;

4. That the Province explore measures to reduce the financial burden on municipalities defending planning decisions before the OLT, helping to protect taxpayer dollars and improve the efficiency of the planning process; and,

5. That Staff be directed to circulate this resolution to the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Local Members of Provincial Parliament, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), and all Ontario municipalities for consideration and support.

Should you require further information, please do not hesitate to contact the Office of the Town Clerk at 905-430-4300.

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From: Olena Jensen <ojensen@rcdhu.com>
Sent: June 29, 2026 1:31 PM
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Subject: 2025 Monitoring Food Affordability in Renfrew County and District - Report and Infographic
Attachments: Food Affordability Report 2025.pdf; Infographic Food Affordability in Renfrew County and District 2025.pdf

Dear colleagues,

I am contacting you to share information about food affordability monitoring in Renfrew County which may be relevant to your work or the work of your staff/organization.

Public Health units in Ontario are directed by the Ministry of Health to monitor food affordability, annually. This is achieved by conducting a survey of the average retail price of 61 grocery store food items using a tool called the Nutritious Food Basket. Food costing was conducted in 9 grocery stores throughout Renfrew County in June 2025. Food costs were then combined with housing rental rates and compared to various income situations to determine the local affordability of food.

Attached, you will find the report and complimentary infographic and you can access these on the Renfrew County and District Health Unit website in the Eating and Nutrition section under the Food Insecurity header:

https://www.rcdhu.com/healthy-living/eating-and-nutrition/monitoring-food-affordability-in-renfrew-county-and-district-2025-report/

Please note the French translations of the report and infographic are underway. As appropriate, feel free to share this information with other individuals, staff and/or groups with whom you work. Social media posts highlighting this work will begin this week, in case you would like to share those with your networks as well.

If this information is not relevant and you do not wish to be contacted in the future, kindly let me know.

Thank you,

Lena

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in Renfrew County and District, 2025

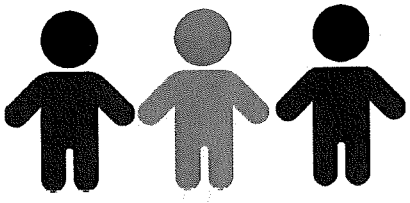
Food insecurity means not having enough money to buy food regularly.

Some families in Renfrew County and District (RCD) face this every day. It can mean worrying about food running out, having few choices, buying cheaper food that isn't as healthy, eating smaller portions, or skipping meals altogether.

1 in 3



Households (31%)
are experiencing food insecurity in RCD



Children (33.3%)
live in a food-insecure household in Ontario

What is the monthly cost of healthy eating?

$435



Single Person

$1250



Family of Four

People living with food insecurity have a higher risk of developing:



Mental Illness | **Heart Disease** | **Asthma** | **Diabetes** | **Poor Oral Health**

The root cause of food insecurity is **poverty**



Income-based solutions are needed to lift people out of poverty

For more information visit:

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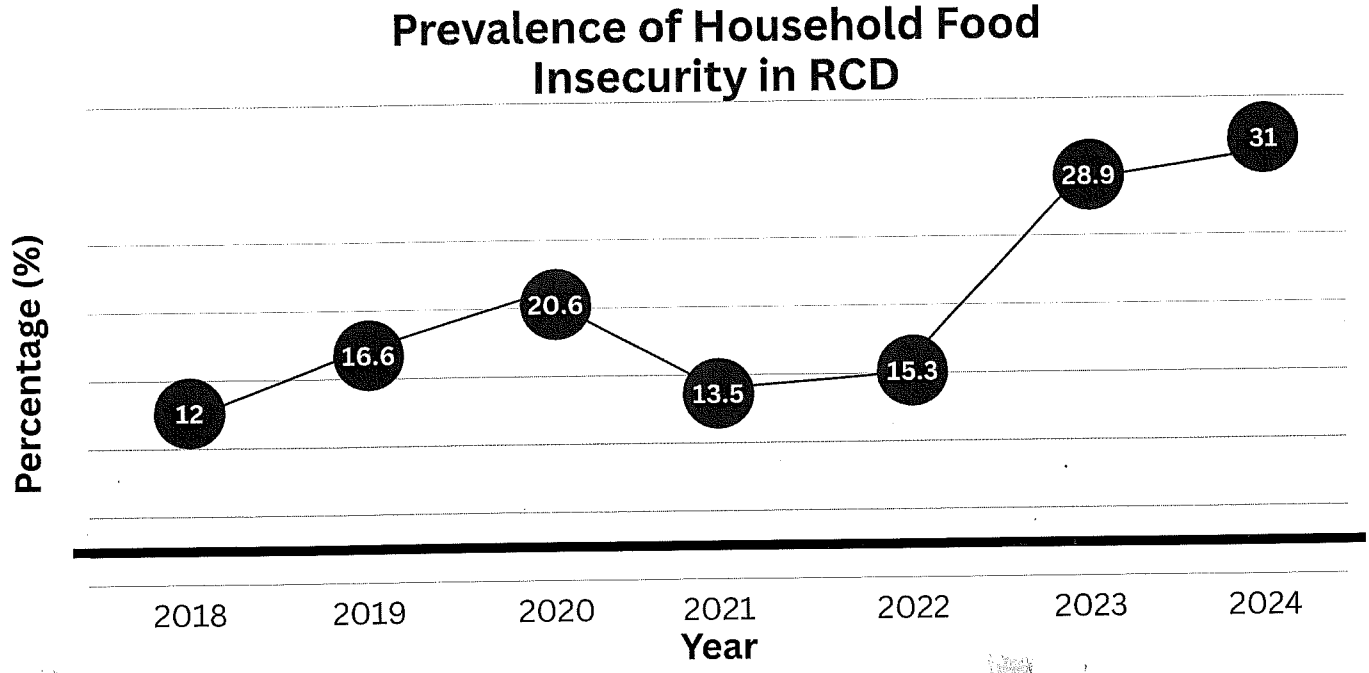
Introduction

Each year, the Renfrew County and District Health Unit (RCDHU) monitors local food affordability and rates of household food insecurity to better understand how income and living costs affect residents' ability to afford basic needs.

Food insecurity occurs when individuals or families do not have reliable access to enough safe and nutritious food due to financial constraints.[1] When household income is limited, people may be forced to make difficult choices between food and other essentials such as housing, medication, or transportation. Levels of food insecurity range from worrying about running out of food (marginal food insecurity) to skipping meals or going a full day without eating (severe food insecurity).

Most recently, approximately one in three households in Renfrew County and District (31%) are estimated to be food insecure, compared to one in six in 2022 and one in seven in 2021.[2]

While food prices can affect household budgets, evidence shows that food insecurity is most closely linked to inadequate income rather than the cost of food itself. Monitoring local food costs helps illustrate how far different income sources must be managed to cover essential needs.



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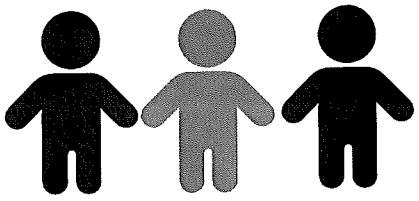
Food Affordability Scenarios in Renfrew County and District

RCDHU monitors local food affordability using the Nutritious Food Basket (NFB) tool. The NFB is a list of 61 common food items that together represent a basic, nutritious diet based on Canada's Food Guide.

Each year, RCDHU staff visit nine grocery stores across RCD to record the current prices of the food items in the NFB. These local food prices are combined with average rental rates, and income information from various sources, to create income scenarios. Housing rental rates were obtained from the 2021 Canadian Rental Housing Index (CRHI), adjusting for inflation. Findings suggest that the CRHI rental rates underestimate current market rates for all accommodation types by as much as 70%. RCDHU recommends using caution when evaluating the income scenarios.

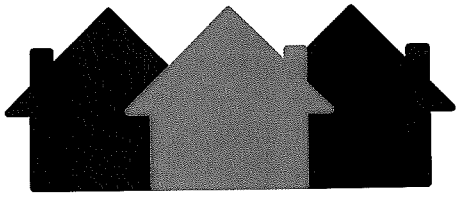
The income scenarios estimate how much of a household's monthly income is needed to pay for food and housing in different situations. Examples of income sources include employment income or receiving supports through Ontario Works (OW), Ontario Disability Support Program (ODSP), Old Age Security and Guaranteed Income Supplement (OAS/GIS), and/or Guaranteed Annual Income System (GAINS).

Results show that households with lower incomes have less money left over for other essential expenses once food and housing are paid for. Remaining income must cover needs such as utilities (if not included in the cost of rent), childcare, medications, phone and internet, transportation, and clothing. Ultimately, differences in income and living costs affect the affordability of food and other basic needs in RCD.



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Households without Children	Monthly Income†	Estimated Monthly Rent‡	Monthly Cost of Food	Remaining Income after Food and Rent
Single Person, OW	$901	$847*	$435	-$381
Single Person, ODSP	$1543	$847*	$435	$261
Single Person, OAS/GIS, GAINS	$2129	$847*	$308	$974
Single Pregnant Person, ODSP	$1583	$847*	$460	$275
Single Person, Minimum Wage	$2287	$847*	$435	$1005
Households with Children				
Family of Four, OW, 2 School-Age Children	$3013	$1375	$1250	$388
Family of Four, Minimum Wage, 2 School-Age Children	$5112	$1375	$1250	$2487
Family of Four Median Income, 2 School-Age Children	$9865	$1375	$1250	$7240
Family of Three, OW, 2 School-Age Children	$2776	$1375	$932	$469
Family of Three, OW, 2 Preschool-Age Children	$2973	$1263	$731	$979
Family of Two, OW, Parent with Breastfed Infant	$2101	$1263	$460	$378

†Includes benefits and credits (e.g., Ontario Trillium Benefit, Canada Child Benefit, Old Age Security, etc.)

‡Based on CHRI 2021; adjusted for inflation. May or may not include utilities.

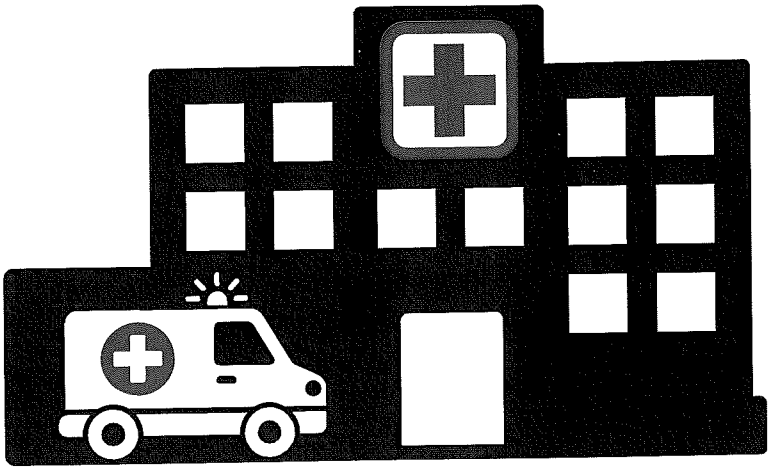
*In 2025, bachelor-style accommodations were assumed for all single-person scenarios. Comparisons to previous years should be made with caution.

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Food Insecurity is a Public Health Concern

People living in food insecure households experience higher rates of chronic disease and poorer overall health compared to those who are food secure. Food insecurity can make it harder to prevent or manage health conditions and is linked to greater use of health care services and an increased risk of premature mortality.



Food insecurity is an important indicator of material hardship and a key social determinant of health. It affects physical, mental, and social well-being across the lifespan.

In Canada, adults who are marginally food insecure have 26% higher odds of being admitted to hospital for acute care, while those who are severely food insecure have 69% higher odds of admission compared to adults who are food secure. Food insecurity is also associated with longer hospital stays and higher health care costs.[3]

Health Impacts Associated with Food Insecurity

Individuals experiencing food insecurity are more likely to experience:[4]



Mental Illness | Heart Disease | Asthma | Diabetes | Poor Oral Health

Food insecurity can also contribute to chronic pain and poor mental health outcomes, including anxiety and stress. Difficulty affording adequate food may also lead to skipped medications, missed medical appointments, and challenges following recommended therapeutic diets. These factors can make managing chronic illness more difficult and further increase health care needs over time.

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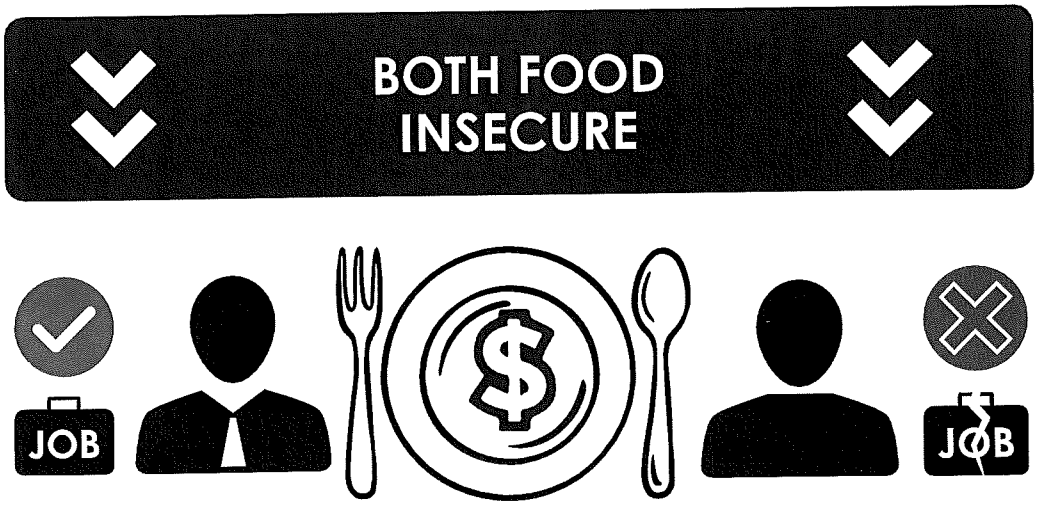
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Who is Most at Risk?

Food insecurity can affect anyone, but it is more common in households with lower or unstable incomes.

In Canada, about 70% of households receiving social assistance report experiencing food insecurity. However, having a job does not always prevent food insecurity. Nearly 60% of food insecure households report wages, salaries, or self-employment as their main source of income[5].

Recent Canadian research also found that among the food insecure households reliant on employment income, 89% had a main income earner working in a permanent, full-time position[6]. These findings show that food insecurity can affect households across different employment situations.



Certain groups are more likely to experience food insecurity, including individuals who:

- Live in rental housing
- Are single female parents
- Are members of racialized groups
- Identify as Indigenous or non-white

These patterns highlight how differences in income, employment, and housing conditions can influence a household's ability to afford food and other necessities.

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Children and Food Insecurity

Children are especially vulnerable to the effects of food insecurity. In Ontario, one in three children (33.3%) under the age of 18 live in a household experiencing food insecurity. Food insecurity is more common in female lone-parent families, where more than half (52.1%) report being affected.[6]

Growing up in a food insecure household can negatively affect a child's physical and mental health. Research shows that children living with food insecurity are more likely to experience:

- Asthma
- Low self-esteem
- Anxiety
- Depression



They may also struggle to develop confidence in making positive lifestyle choices, such as eating well and being active. Over time, these challenges can interfere with academic achievement, social relationships, and overall well-being. The effects of food insecurity in childhood can persist into adulthood, increasing the risk of chronic disease and poor mental health later in life.

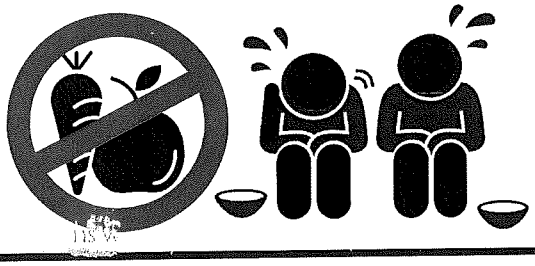
Food Insecurity is a Result of Poverty

Food insecurity occurs when household income is not enough to cover the cost of basic living expenses, including food. Addressing food insecurity therefore requires attention to income adequacy rather than food availability alone.

Research in Canada shows that policies which strengthen household income can reduce rates of food insecurity. Examples include:

- Public pension programs such as the Canada Pension Plan, Old Age Security, and the Guaranteed Income Supplement, which help keep many older adults out of poverty
- Increases to the Canada Child Benefit for families with low incomes
- Higher social assistance rates
- Income tax measures that reduce the financial burden on low-income households

Monitoring the impact of these and similar policies can help identify effective ways to improve income security and reduce the risk of food insecurity over time.



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Want more information?

- Food Insecurity Policy Research (PROOF)
- Ontario Living Wage Network
- Basic Income Canada Network

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Subject: Re: Retention of of the Cancer/Oncology Clinic at the Huntsville District Memorial Hospital Site- MAHC

Attachments: 2026-168.pdf

Good day,

Please see attached resolution from the Village of Burk's Falls regarding the retention of the Cancer/Oncology Clinic at the Huntsville District Memorial Hospital Site- MAHC.

Best regards,

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The Municipality of the

VILLAGE OF BURK'S FALLS

Moved By: A-B Date: June 16, 2026

Seconded By: N.K Resolution # 2026-168

Be it resolved;

THAT the Council of The Village of Burk's Falls receives the presentation from Austin Toth;

AND FURTHER THAT Council supports the retention of the Cancer/Oncology Clinic at the Huntsville Memorial Hospital site;

AND FURTHER THAT Council directs staff to allow the collection of signatures via a copy of the available petition to the public at the municipal office.

AND FURTHER THAT Council directs staff to distribute this resolution to all municipalities.

Recorded Vote requested by: _____

Ryan Baptiste	*for / opposed*
Ashley Brandt	*for / opposed*
Sean Cotton	*for / opposed*
Chris Hope	*for / opposed*
Nancy Kyte	*for / opposed*

Carried *Defeated* *Deferred*

Pecuniary Interest declared by:

_____

_____

Mayor

AGENDA

Cancer Clinic Petition Huntsville

Petition Mission Statement - We the undersigned would like to ensure the Cancer Clinic remains in the Huntsville District Memorial Site. We affirm the strategic and equitable treatment option of the Huntsville cancer clinic and its continuing operation".

A person diagnosed with cancer is assessed at a major cancer treatment centre located in Barrie or Sudbury, and provided certain criteria are met can be referred for ongoing treatment at home or if required, to an oncology treatment centre staffed by registered nurses such as is in Huntsville Memorial Hospital Site. For the Almaguin Area, most patients attend Royal Vicotria Hospital – Hutson Regional Cancer Centre in Barrie, Ontario, which has an association with Huntsville Memorial Hospital. The type of cancer, treatment required , available resources and individual patient needs as it relates to the need for treatment closer to home to maximize results are the criteria for admission into the satellite programs.

The East Parry Sound Area (including Almaguin Highlands) is in a unique position depending on your address. People diagnosed with cancer are typically referred to Royal Victoria Hospital in Barrie, located 146 to 187 km away, for assessment and initial treatment. If the patient is fortunate they can receive treatment at an Oncology treatment centre like the one located in Huntsville. These centres require specialized staff, and resources to meet the treatment needs of Cancer patients. Huntsville Memorial Site has that kind of specialize, dedicated medical staff and services which Cancer Patients consider as excellent.

For those residing in the Almaguin Area, attending the Huntsville Oncology Clinic can be from 26 km to 80 km from their residence.

We have heard with concern of the possibility of the Cancer Clinic being moved to Bracebridge. For those residing in the Almaguin Area this would be a significant increase driving for treatment. The extra distance would have more impact during winter months.

It should be noted that the Cancer Clinic was originally located in the Bracebridge Hospital location many years ago. At that time, it was decided to move it Huntsville due to location being one of the rationales.

A further obstacle for many Cancer patients is that they should not drive right after treatment, and someone needs to attend with them.

Cancer Patients in Bracebridge have access to both the Orillia Cancer Clinic (56 km) and the Huntsville Clinic (37km).

While there is apparent discussion of providing "public transportation" from Huntsville to Bracebridge, there are concerns which include but are not limited to:

1) Having compromised immunity system(Cancer patients) being on public transportation is risky
2) The side effects of treatment include nausea and Gastrointestinal issues, which would put patients at further risk on public transportation, not to mention the embarrassment for the patients involved.
3) Having to wait around for public transport would be difficult for the same reasons listed above.

In Summary, the current situation is working well *and equitably for cancer patients. It would be unfortunate to change that.*

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Subject: A Notice of Motion regarding a provincial review of benchmarking, funding formulas, and length-of-stay standards for emergency shelters serving women and children experiencing intimate partner violence

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Good morning,

The Council of the Corporation of the City of Mississauga at its meeting on June 24, 2026 adopted Resolution 0147-2026 related to A Notice of Motion regarding a provincial review of benchmarking, funding formulas, and length-of-stay standards for emergency shelters serving women and children experiencing intimate partner violence.

Thank you,

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Office of the City Clerk Division

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RESOLUTION 0147-2026
adopted by the Council of
The Corporation of the City of Mississauga
at its meeting on June 24, 2026

0147-2026 Moved by: Councillor N. Hart Seconded by: Councillor C. Fonseca

WHEREAS women and children experiencing intimate partner violence rely on emergency shelters as a critical component of their safety, recovery, and transition to stable housing;

WHEREAS adequate lengths of stay in emergency shelters are often necessary to support safety planning, access to social services, legal supports, mental health resources, and housing stabilization;

WHEREAS funding formulas and service benchmarks directly influence shelter capacity, operations, and the ability of service providers to meet community needs;

Whereas The City of Mississauga declared Intimate Partner Violence an epidemic on September 13th 2023;

WHEREAS municipalities across Ontario utilize varying approaches to shelter funding and length-of-stay expectations, providing opportunities for benchmarking and best-practice review;

WHEREAS any reductions to funding based on the formulas may have unintended consequences on service levels and the availability of supports for individuals fleeing intimate partner violence;

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Mayor, on behalf of Council, write to the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Children, Community and Social Services, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, and the local Members of Provincial Parliament requesting a provincial review of benchmarking, funding formulas, and length-of-stay standards for emergency shelters serving women and children experiencing intimate partner violence, with a view to ensuring adequate shelter stays and preventing reductions in funding that could negatively impact service delivery and client outcomes;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Children, Community and Social Services, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, local MPPs, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), and all Ontario municipalities for their information and consideration.

Recorded Vote	YES	NO	ABSENT	ABSTAIN
Mayor C. Parrish				
Councillor S. Dasko	X			
Councillor A. Tedjo	X			
Councillor C. Fonseca	X			
Councillor J. Kovac	X			
Councillor N. Hart	X			
Councillor J. Horneck	X			
Councillor D. Damerla	X			
Councillor M. Mahoney	X			
Councillor M. Reid	X			
Councillor S. McFadden	X			
Councillor B. Butt	X			

Carried (11, 0)

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234-2025-1873

June 23, 2026

Dear Head of Council:

I am writing to inform you of recent changes to the strong mayor framework, which apply to your municipality.

These changes were made through regulatory amendments to O. Reg. 530/22, under the *Municipal Act, 2001,* and are intended to strengthen accountability for decision-making during a municipal election year by ensuring that certain rules which currently apply in non-strong mayor municipalities similarly apply to strong mayor municipalities.

Specifically, heads of council in strong mayor municipalities are subject to the following rules which came into force on June 22, 2026:

- **Election year budget rules:** Outgoing heads of council are limited from proposing the municipal budget for the year immediately following a regular municipal election, aligning strong mayor municipalities with existing municipal budget rules.

- **Restricted acts rules:** Heads of council are restricted from appointing or removing the chief administrative officer and other municipal division heads, changing the organizational structure of the municipality, or, if not already authorized in the municipality's budget, exercising their by-law power to dispose of property valued over $50,000 or authorize expenditures or liabilities over $50,000. These restrictions would apply if it can be determined that either three-quarters of the outgoing members of council will not be members of the new council, or the outgoing head of council will not be the new head of council.

As head of council, you may wish to ensure that any relevant delegations you wish to establish are in place in advance of nomination day on August 21, 2026. The regulation provides that delegable strong mayor powers that may later become restricted can continue to be exercised where they were delegated to the CAO and or council prior to nomination day.

For more information on strong mayor powers and duties please see:

- Regulations made under the Municipal Act, 2001 that relate to strong mayor powers and duties: O. Reg. 530/22; O. Reg 580/22
- Part VI.1 of the Municipal Act, 2001 – Special Powers and Duties of the Head of Council
- The Strong Mayor chapter of the Ontario Municipal Councillor's Guide

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If you have any questions about the strong mayor framework, your staff may wish to contact your local Municipal Services Office within the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing.

Please accept my best wishes.

Sincerely,

Robert J. Flack

Hon. Robert J. Flack
Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing

c. Robert Dodd, Chief of Staff
Martha Greenberg, Deputy Minister
Laurie Miller, Assistant Deputy Minister, Local Government Division
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234-2026-2403

June 30, 2026

Dear Head of Council,

I am writing to provide an update that the government has amended a regulation under the *Planning Act* to support a new framework for developer-identified parkland dedication.

Specifically, amendments to the regulation prescribes requirements to support:

- The identification of land
- Notice to owners
- Record to the Ontario Land Tribunal, and
- Land suitability criteria

The changes affect the following regulation:

- O. Reg. 509/20: Community Benefits Charges and Parkland

The amending regulation supports the government's plan to support increased housing supply, job creation, and economic activity in Ontario.

Please see the links below to the amending regulation: O. Reg. 207/26: Community Benefits Charges and Parkland
Updates will also be noted on the ERO posting: *Proposed Changes to Support Standardizing of Parkland Requirements Under the Planning Act*

These changes were filed on June 26, 2026, and will come into force on July 1, 2026.

Sincerely,

Robert J. Flack
Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing

c. Municipal Chief Administrative Officer and/or Treasurer
Robert Dodd, Chief of Staff to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
Martha Greenberg, Deputy Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
Laurie Miller, Assistant Deputy Minister, Local Government Division, Municipal Affairs and Housing

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From: Hillary Panke <HPanke@countyofrenfrew.on.ca>
Sent: June 30, 2026 3:55 PM
Subject: Summer Company 2026 Announcement
Attachments: 2026 Summer Company Media Release- Headshots.jpg; MR - Summer Company 2026 participants- FINAL.pdf

Good afternoon,
We're excited to highlight this year's participants in the Summer Company Program, delivered by Enterprise Renfrew County. Each summer, this program empowers local students to turn their business ideas into reality by launching and operating their own ventures while building valuable skills in entrepreneurship, leadership, marketing, and financial management. These experiences not only support their personal growth but also contribute to the economic vitality and entrepreneurial spirit of our communities.

Our 2026 participants are now officially in business, and we're proud to celebrate their creativity, initiative, and hard work. From innovative services to unique product-based ventures, these young entrepreneurs are already making an impact across Renfrew County. We invite you to read the attached media release and join us in celebrating their achievements. We would greatly appreciate your support in sharing the release through your organization's communication channels, social media platforms, or community networks. Your help in amplifying their stories goes a long way in recognizing their efforts and inspiring the next generation of business owners. For simplicity, please feel free to share our post (https://www.facebook.com/EnterpriseRenfrewCounty/) 😊

Thank you for your continued partnership and for your ongoing support of entrepreneurship across Renfrew County. Together, we're helping build a strong foundation for the next generation of local business leaders. If you have any questions or would like additional information about the Summer Company Program, please don't hesitate to reach out.

Warm regards,
-ERC Team

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RELEASE DATE:
June 30, 2026

Introducing the 2026 Summer Company Participants

Pembroke, ON: Celebrating youth entrepreneurship, Enterprise Renfrew County proudly presents this year's Summer Company Program participants; seven ambitious students turning their business dreams into reality across Renfrew County.

Introducing Riverscout Clay, by Nadia DeCarle from Pembroke, offering handmade pottery items for pets and their owners; Shine my Clubs, by Hudson Warner from Pembroke, offering golf club and equipment detailing and maintenance services; Green Thumb, by Bronwynn Dick from Admaston/ Bromley Township, offering weeding, watering, planting & harvesting of gardens; Moore Volleyball, by Kelsea Moore from Whitewater Region Township, offering private and group Volleyball sessions; Red Pine Woodworks, by Rusty Stuart from North Algona Wilberforce Township, offering custom wood-working projects; Garden Palette Goods, by Evelyn Finan from Whitewater Region Township, offering handcrafted nature-inspired art and thematic treats; Addie Made, by Adelaid Lomore-Beaupre of Laurentian Valley Township, offering handmade crafts, including knitted items, clay art, custom-painted creations, and keychains.

The Summer Company program is pleased to recognize Perri-Rae Boell & Associates Inc. as the generous sponsor of this year's program. Residents and visitors can meet these inspiring young entrepreneurs at vendor events across the region this summer. Their creativity, ambition, and hard work will be on full display as they share their products and grow their businesses.

The Summer Company Program empowers students, aged 15 to 29, to launch their own business, foster entrepreneurial skills and provides crucial startup funding. Participants receive up to $1,500 initially after completing training, with the potential for an additional $1,500 based on their summer business performance.

For more information about the Summer Company Program and upcoming application deadlines, visit www.enterpriserenfrewcounty.com/summer-company.

Enterprise Renfrew County is a non-profit government organization funded by the Government of Ontario, County of Renfrew, Town of Renfrew and the City of Pembroke. Its mandate is to encourage and contribute to the enterprising spirit and economic development of Renfrew County by assisting entrepreneurs with the development of new or existing companies. The Summer Company Program is delivered by Enterprise Renfrew County on behalf of the

Government of Ontario.

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From: Township of Killaloe Hagarty Richards <info@khrtownship.ca>
Sent: July 2, 2026 10:53 AM
To: tgorgerat@khrtownship.ca
Subject: FW: Township of Puslinch resolution 2026-202 supporting Halton Hills Modernizing Ontario's Invasive Plants Rules to Protect Taxpayers, Municipal Lands,
Attachments: 6.16 Town of Halton Hills Support Resolution regarding Modernizing Ontario's Invasive Plant Rules.pdf; Township of Puslinch resolution 2026-202 su.pdf

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Sent: Thursday, July 2, 2026 10:33 AM
Subject: Township of Puslinch resolution 2026-202 supporting Halton Hills Modernizing Ontario's Invasive Plants Rules to Protect Taxpayers, Municipal Lands,

Good morning,

Please see the attached council resolution from the June 17, 2026, Township of Puslinch Council Meeting regarding request to support the Town of Halton Hills Request Modernizing Ontario's Invasive Plants Rules to Protect Taxpayers, Municipal Lands, Agriculture, Natural Heritage and Local Gardens.

Regards,

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June 30, 2026

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RE: 6.16 Halton Hills Modernizing Ontario's Invasive Plants Rules to Protect Taxpayers, Municipal Lands, Agriculture, Natural Heritage and Local Gardens

Please be advised that Township of Puslinch Council, at its meeting held on March 24, 2021 considered the aforementioned topic and subsequent to discussion, the following was resolved:

Resolution No. 2026-202: Moved by Councillor Bailey and
S Seconded by Councillor Sepulis

That the Consent Agenda item 6.16 be received for information; and

Whereas Council supports the Towns of Halton Hills' resolution;

That Council direct staff to send a support resolution accordingly.

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As per the above resolution, please accept a copy of this correspondence for your information and consideration.

Sincerely,

Justine Brotherston
Municipal Clerk

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June 5, 2026

Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario
Via Email

Re: Modernizing Ontario's Invasive Plants Rules to Protect Taxpayers, Municipal Lands, Agriculture, Natural Heritage and Local Gardens

Please be advised that Council of the Town of Halton Hills at its meeting of Monday June 1, 2026, adopted Resolution No. 2026-0107 regarding Modernizing Ontario's Invasive Plants Rules to Protect Taxpayers, Municipal Lands, Agriculture, Natural Heritage and Local Gardens.

Attached for your information is a copy of Resolution No. 2026-0107.

Respectfully,

[redacted]

Melissa Lawr, AMP, Dipl.M.A.
Deputy Clerk – Legislation

cc. Ontario Minister of Natural Resources
Ontario Minister of Agriculture, Food and Agribusiness
Ontario Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
Ontario Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks
Federal Minister of Environment and Climate Change
Federal Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food
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Resolution No.: 2026-0107

Title: **Modernizing Ontario's Invasive Plants Rules to Protect Taxpayers, Municipal Lands, Agriculture, Natural Heritage and Local Gardens**

Date: June 1, 2026

Moved by: **Councillor J. Brass**

Seconded by: **Councillor C. Garneau**

Item No. 12.3

WHEREAS invasive plants, shrubs, vines, groundcovers, ornamental species, seeds and nursery stock can cause significant damage to municipal infrastructure, roadsides, stormwater systems, parks, trails, natural heritage areas, agricultural lands, woodlots, shorelines, private property and local biodiversity;

AND WHEREAS Ontario municipalities and conservation authorities are estimated to spend approximately $50.8 million annually managing invasive species, and the average annual cost per Ontario municipality has been estimated at $218,148, with approximately 80% of expenditures directed toward control and management rather than prevention; (Invasive Species Centre)

AND WHEREAS these costs are ultimately borne by local taxpayers, conservation authorities, property owners, farmers, volunteers and community groups who are often left to manage invasive species after they have already been introduced, sold, planted, escaped cultivation and spread;

AND WHEREAS the Province of Ontario, through the Invasive Species Act, 2015, which allows species to be listed as prohibited or restricted, and which can make it illegal to import, possess, transport, propagate, buy, sell, lease or trade listed invasive species; (Invasive Species Centre)

AND WHEREAS the concern is not with plants that are already clearly prohibited or restricted, but with invasive species and seeds and nursery stock that may

continue to be sold or distributed before modernized provincial rules, public guidance and retail practices have fully caught up with current science and local experience;

AND WHEREAS garden centres, nurseries, landscape suppliers, seed distributors, online retailers, landscapers and residents all have an important role to play in preventing the spread of invasive plants before they become a costly municipal and environmental problem;

AND WHEREAS the Ontario Invasive Plant Council's Grow Me Instead program promotes native and non-invasive alternatives for healthy, diverse and wildlife-friendly gardens, and its updated Southern Ontario guide includes additional invasive plants and alternatives to help residents, gardeners and landscapers make better choices; (Ontario Invasive Plant Council)

AND WHEREAS recent local reporting in Halton Hills has highlighted the importance of choosing native alternatives to invasive garden plants, including through Grow Native Halton and the Ontario Invasive Plant Council's Grow Me Instead resources;

AND WHEREAS the continued sale and distribution of invasive ornamental plants undermine the work of municipalities, conservation authorities, environmental organizations, horticultural societies, local volunteers and residents who are investing time and taxpayer dollars to remove and manage these same species;

AND WHEREAS prevention at the point of sale is more cost-effective, more practical and more respectful of taxpayers than asking municipalities and property owners to pay for removal after invasive species have spread across property lines and municipal boundaries;

AND WHEREAS invasive plants do not recognize municipal boundaries, and effective prevention requires coordinated action by the Province of Ontario, the Government of Canada, municipalities, conservation authorities, Indigenous communities, agricultural organizations, the nursery and landscape sector, retailers, landowners and residents;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Town of Halton Hills respectfully request that the Province of Ontario, in consultation with municipalities, AMO, ROMA, conservation authorities, the Ontario Invasive Plant Council, Indigenous communities, agricultural organizations, environmental organizations, horticultural societies, the nursery and landscape sector, garden centres and other relevant stakeholders, undertake a review and modernization of Ontario's invasive plant regulatory framework;

AND FURTHER THAT this review include consideration of expanding and regularly updating the list of prohibited and restricted invasive plant species, including invasive plants, shrubs, vines, groundcovers, ornamental species,

seeds and nursery stock that pose a risk to Ontario's natural heritage, agriculture, municipal infrastructure, parks, trails, roadsides, stormwater systems and private property;

AND FURTHER THAT the Province of Ontario be requested to prohibit the sale, distribution, propagation and trade of listed invasive plant species through garden centres, nurseries, landscaping suppliers, online retailers, seed distributors and other commercial pathways;

AND FURTHER THAT the Province of Ontario be requested to develop clear labelling, public education and retailer guidance requirements so that residents, gardeners, landscapers and retailers can easily identify invasive species and choose native or non-invasive alternatives;

AND FURTHER THAT the Province of Ontario be requested to work with the nursery, garden centre and landscape sectors on a practical transition plan that supports compliance, protects small businesses, promotes native and non-invasive alternatives, and prevents invasive plants from continuing to enter communities through ordinary consumer purchases;

AND FURTHER THAT the Government of Canada be requested to review and strengthen, where appropriate, federal import, border, labelling and online sales rules related to invasive plants, seeds and nursery stock entering Canada, so that provincial prevention efforts are not undermined by interprovincial or international trade;

AND FURTHER THAT the Province of Ontario and Government of Canada be requested to support municipalities, conservation authorities and community partners with stronger prevention tools, updated science-based lists, public education materials and funding programs that prioritize prevention over costly long-term control and removal;

AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Premier of Ontario, the Ontario Minister of Natural Resources, the Ontario Minister of Agriculture, Food and Agribusiness, the Ontario Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Ontario Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks, the federal Minister of Environment and Climate Change, the federal Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food, Halton-area MPs and MPPs, the Region of Halton, HRFA, OFA, Conservation Halton, Credit Valley Conservation, Grand River Conservation Authority, AMO, ROMA, FCM, the Ontario Invasive Plant Council, Landscape Ontario, the Canadian Nursery Landscape Association, and all Ontario municipalities for their consideration and support.

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Subject:	Motion for Provincial Support, Funding and Coordinated Plans to Combat Tick Borne Diseases
Attachments:	2026 06 23 - Letter to Deputy Premier re Tick Borne Diseases.pdf

Good Afternoon Deputy Premier,

At the Town of Caledon Council Meeting held on June 23, 2026, Council adopted a resolution advocating for Provincial support to combat tick borne diseases.

A copy of the resolution is attached for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Annette Groves
Mayor, Town of Caledon
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TOWN OF CALEDON

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July 2, 2026

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Honourable Sylvia Jones, Deputy Premier
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Dear Deputy Premier Jones,

RE: Motion for Provincial Support, Funding and Coordinated Plans to Combat Tick Borne Diseases

I am writing to advise that at the Town Council meeting held on June 23, 2026, Council adopted a motion regarding requesting support to combat tick borne diseases.

The resolution reads as follows:

> *Whereas the prevalence of ticks, including those known to carry Lyme disease, and other Vector borne diseases have increased across Ontario;*
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> *Whereas Lyme disease diagnoses have increased by 27% in 2024 to 2369 (Public Health Agency of Canada, PHAC);*
>
> *Whereas residents across Caledon have registered growing concerns about public health risks associated with tick exposure in parks, trails and residential areas;*
>
> *Whereas municipalities have limited jurisdiction and resources to effectively manage tick populations on a broad ecological scale;*
>
> *Whereas the Government of Ontario is responsible for public health policy, environmental management and vector-borne disease prevention and detection;*
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> *Therefore, be it resolved that:*
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> *Caledon Town Council formally requests that the Government of Ontario investigate and implement measures to reduce burgeoning tick populations and to mitigate their associated public health risks; and*

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That such measures may include safe and effective tick control methods, public education campaigns and coordinated regional strategies; and

That the Province consider increased funding and support for local public health units to address tick-borne disease prevention; and

That a copy of this motion be sent to Minister of Health, Sylvia Jones, Chief Medical Officer of Health, Kiernan Moore, Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks, Todd McCarthy, Peel Public Health, the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority (TRCA), the Credit Valley Conservation (CVC), the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) and all 444 municipalities across Ontario.

For more information regarding this request, please contact the undersigned by email to mayor@caledon.ca or by phone at 905.584.2272 ext. 4155.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Mayor Annette Groves

CC:

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