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Office of the City Clerk, City Hall  
500 George Street North  
Peterborough, Ontario  
K9H 3R9

December 3, 2025

Honourable Doug Ford, Premier for the Government of Ontario;  
Honourable Michael S. Kerzner, Minister of the Solicitor General;  
Honourable Rob Flack, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing;  
Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO);  
Mary ten Doeschate, Peterborough Police Services Board Chair; and  
Councils of each of Ontario's municipalities.

**Subject: Sustainable Funding for Police Services Request**

The following resolution, adopted by City Council at its meeting held on November 3, 2025, is forwarded for your consideration.

Moved by Councillor Crowley  
Seconded by Councillor Vassiliadis

**Whereas municipalities across Ontario are required to maintain a police service; and**

**Whereas municipalities across Ontario are required to constitute a municipal board to have policing responsibility for the municipality, or enter into a written agreement for an alternate provision of policing services; and**

**Whereas the City of Peterborough has constituted a municipal board; and**

**Whereas municipalities, across Ontario, with a police service board, are required to “ensure adequate and effective policing is provided in the area for which they have policing responsibility in accordance with the needs of the population in the area and having regard for the diversity of the population in the area” and**

**Whereas police service boards within municipalities where court proceedings are conducted are required to ensure the security of judges, other judicial officials, members of the public participating in court proceedings, ensuring the secure**



**custody of persons in custody who are on or about the premises, including persons taken into custody at proceedings; and**

**Whereas the provision of court security is not part of providing adequate and effective policing; and**

**Whereas the cost of providing court security is a cost of the municipality, regardless of whether all matters originate within that municipality; and**

**Whereas municipalities across Ontario are required to have and maintain critical infrastructure, including appropriate police facilities and equipment, to ensure adequate and effective policing is provided; and**

**Whereas municipalities across Ontario are experiencing increased police operating and capital costs directly related to new compliance and operational standards required under the Community Safety and Policing Act, 2019; and**

**Whereas these cost increases stem from provincially mandated requirements — including training, certification, technology, reporting, and staffing obligations — necessary to bring local police services into compliance with the Act; and**

**Whereas municipalities have no discretion in implementing these measures and limited ability to absorb the resulting financial pressures within existing budgets; and**

**Whereas policing is a provincially legislated responsibility, yet municipalities are bearing the brunt of the costs to implement provincial mandates;**

**Therefore, be it resolved that:**

**Council request that the Province of Ontario provide targeted financial assistance to municipalities to offset any additional costs that are directly and demonstrably incurred as a result of compliance with the Community Safety and Policing Act, 2019, and not general increases to police budgets; and**

**Therefore, be it further resolved that:**

**Council urge the Province of Ontario to review and reform its current police grant programs to ensure a more equitable distribution of funding to municipalities so that communities with growing populations and expanding service demands receive fair and sustainable provincial support; and**

**Therefore, be it further resolved that:**

**Council request that the Province of Ontario provide stable sustainable funding to offset costs associated with the provision of providing court security services; and**



City of  
Peterborough

**That this resolution be forwarded to the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of the Solicitor General, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), the Peterborough Police Services Board Chair, and all Ontario municipalities for endorsement.**

Sincerely,

  
John Kennedy  
City Clerk



*Mary ten Doeschate, Chair*

*Drew Merrett, Vice-Chair*

*Mayor Jeff Leal*

*Councillor Gary Baldwin*

*Steve Girardi*

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December 18, 2025

City of Peterborough (Sent via email)  
500 George St. N.  
Peterborough, ON K9H 3R9

**Attention: Members of Council**

**Jasbir Raina, Chief Administrative Officer**

**Richard Freymond, Commissioner of Finance and Corporate Support Services**

**John Kennedy, Clerk**

Members of Council, Mr. Raina, Mr. Freymond and Mr. Kennedy:

**Re: Council Resolution – Stable Funding for Police Service Boards**

The Peterborough Police Service Board unanimously passed the following motion at their Board meeting held on December 16, 2025:

**Moved by Drew Merrett**

**Seconded by Jeff Leal**

**That the Board receive for consideration and endorsement the Peterborough City Council resolution made November 3, 2025 regarding stable funding for Police Service Boards.**

Accordingly, the Board sends this letter in support of Council's call for the Province of Ontario to review and reform its current police grant programs to ensure a more equitable distribution of funding to municipalities; the Board believes increased and sustainable funding support from the Province is necessary to ensure the Board can meet its legislated mandate of providing adequate and effective policing in the City of Peterborough.

Sincerely,

Mary ten Doeschate,  
Chair

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***Peterborough Police Service Board***  
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## TOWNSHIP OF BRUDENELL, LYNDOCH AND RAGLAN

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January 7, 2026

The Right Honourable Mark Carney P.C., O.C., M.P.  
Office of the Prime Minister of Canada  
80 Wellington Street  
Ottawa, ON K1A 0A2

The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario  
Premier's Office  
Room 281, Legislative Building, Queen's Park  
Toronto, ON M7A 1A1

### **RE: Removing HST/GST from New Homes to Support Housing Affordability**

Dear Mr. Ford,

Please be advised that at the Regular Council Meeting on January 7<sup>th</sup>, 2026, Council for the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan passed the following resolution, supporting the resolution from the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury.

**Resolution No:** 2026-01-07-07  
**Moved by:** Councillor Banks  
**Seconded by:** Councillor Quade

**"Be it resolved** that the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan support the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury's resolution regarding Removing HST/GST from New Homes to Support Housing Affordability as attached.

**And further that** this resolution be forwarded to the Prime Minister of Canada, Minister of Finance and the Minister of Housing, Infrastructure and Communities; and to the Premier of Ontario, the Ontario Minister of Finance, the Ontario Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, our local MP and MPP, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, and all municipalities in Ontario."

**Carried.**

Sincerely,

*Tammy Thompson*

Tammy Thompson  
Deputy Clerk, Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan





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October 27, 2025

VIA EMAIL

**Re: Removing HST/GST from New Homes to Support Housing Affordability**

At its Regular Meeting of Council held on Tuesday, October 21, 2025, the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury Council approved the following resolution:

**Resolution 2025-343**

**Moved by:** Councillor Scott

**Seconded by:** Councillor Duhaney

*WHEREAS housing affordability is one of the most pressing issues facing Ontario families;*

*WHEREAS the federal government recently announced GST relief for first-time homebuyers on new homes, and the Province of Ontario removed the provincial share of HST on new purpose-built rental housing; and*

*WHEREAS the current HST rate on new homes in Ontario is 13%, which adds tens of thousands of dollars to the cost of a typical home, e.g. about \$117,000 on a \$900,000 home in Bradford before any existing rebates;*

*THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury calls on the Government of Canada to remove the GST/HST from all new homes purchased as primary residences, and to work in partnership with the Government of Ontario to ensure full elimination of the provincial portion as well; and*

*BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be circulated to the Prime Minister of Canada, Minister of Finance and the Minister of Housing, Infrastructure and Communities; and to the Premier of Ontario, the Ontario Minister of Finance, the Ontario Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, our local MP and MPP, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, and to all municipalities in Ontario.*

**CARRIED**

Please find enclosed a letter from Mayor James Leduc and Ward 2 Councillor Jonathan Scott.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Regards,



**Tara Reynolds**  
Clerk, Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury  
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[treynolds@townofbwg.com](mailto:treynolds@townofbwg.com)

**CC:** Hon. Mark Carney, Prime Minister of Canada  
Hon. François-Philippe Champagne, Minister of Finance  
Hon. Gregor Robertson, Minister of Housing, Infrastructure and Communities  
Hon. Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario  
Hon. Peter Bethenfalvy, Minister of Finance, Ontario  
Hon. Rob Flack, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Ontario  
Scot Davidson, MP New Tecumseth-Gwillimbury  
Hon. Caroline Mulroney, MPP York-Simcoe  
Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM)  
Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)  
All Municipalities in Ontario



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January 7, 2026

The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario  
Premier's Office  
Room 281, Legislative Building, Queen's Park  
Toronto, ON M7A 1A1

### **RE: Solve the Crisis and Winter Homelessness Program Support**

Dear Mr. Ford,

Please be advised that at the Regular Council Meeting on January 7<sup>th</sup>, 2026, Council for the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan passed the following resolution, supporting the resolution from the Town of Ajax.

**Resolution No:** 2026-01-07-05  
**Moved by:** Councillor Quade  
**Seconded by:** Councillor Banks

**"Be it resolved** that the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan support the Town of Ajax's resolution regarding Solve the Crisis and Winter Homelessness Program Support as attached.

**And further that** this resolution be forwarded to the Premier of Ontario, Renfrew Nipissing Pembroke MPP, and all municipalities in Ontario."

**Carried.**

Sincerely,

Tammy Thompson  
Deputy Clerk  
Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan



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The Honorable Doug Ford  
 Premier of Ontario  
 Legislative Building Queen's Park  
 Toronto ON M7A 1A1  
[premier@ontario.ca](mailto:premier@ontario.ca)

**Sent by E-Mail**

November 19, 2025

**Re: Solve the Crisis and Winter Homelessness Program Support**

The following resolution was passed by Ajax Town Council at its meeting held on November 17, 2025:

Whereas, we are approaching the cold winter months and the number of people experiencing homelessness in Ajax and Durham Region continues to rise drastically, with more than 1,000 people on Durham Region's by-name list as of August, including specifically 200 people in Ajax seeking support to change their housing status<sup>1</sup>; and

Whereas, in September 2024, Ajax Council passed a motion to support Ontario Big City Mayors (OBCM) [SolveTheCrisis.ca](http://SolveTheCrisis.ca)<sup>2</sup> campaign requesting that the provincial and federal governments take immediate action to solve the homelessness and mental health crisis gripping our communities; and

Whereas, while the provincial government has provided support for new programs such as Homeless and Addiction Recovery Treatment Hubs (HART Hubs), it does not adequately address the growing crisis and the financial and social impact on municipalities and regions; and

Whereas, according to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, municipalities are providing [51.5% of the total reported homelessness program funding across all three levels of government](#), making a significant financial impact on municipal budgets<sup>3</sup>; and

Whereas, OBCM recently passed a motion at their October Meeting re-iterating the need for provincial support in addressing this crisis by allocating more funding to programs that address chronic homelessness; and

Therefore, be it resolved:

1. That Ajax Council reconfirms their support of the Solve the Crisis Campaign and calls on Ajax residents to join us in appealing to the provincial and federal governments for support by visiting [SolveTheCrisis.ca](http://SolveTheCrisis.ca); and
2. That Ajax Council asks that the provincial government to take action on the requests of the Solve the Crisis Campaign that have not been fully addressed including:
  - a. Appoint a responsible ministry and Minister with the appropriate funding and powers as a single point of contact to address the full spectrum of housing needs as well as mental health, addictions and wrap around supports.
  - b. This single Minister must strike a task force with sector representatives including municipalities, health care leaders, first responders, community services, the business community, and the tourism industry to develop an Ontario Action Plan.
  - c. Provide municipalities with the tools and resources to transition those in encampments to more appropriate supports, when deemed necessary.
  - d. Commit to funding the services our unhoused population needs, community by community, to fill in gaps in the system.
  - e. Invest in 24/7 community hubs or crisis centres to relieve pressure on emergency departments and first responders; and
3. That Ajax Council asks that the provincial government prepares a 2025/2026 winter homelessness response plan to help municipalities ensure that we can keep our unsheltered residents who are sleeping outdoors with the services they need to keep them safe in colder weather; and
4. That a copy of this resolution be sent to Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, Rob Cerjanec, MPP for Ajax, local MPPs across the Region of Durham, Durham Regional Council, all Ontario Municipalities, Ontario Big City Mayors (OBCM).

**CARRIED**

If you require further information please contact me at 365-885-6983 or [Thomas.street@ajax.ca](mailto:Thomas.street@ajax.ca)

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be the initials 'TS' or a stylized 'T' and 'S' combined.

**Thomas Street**  
**Manager of Legislative Services/Deputy Clerk**

**Copy: Councillor L. Bower**  
**Councillor R. Tyler Morin**  
**Rob Cerjanec, Ajax MPP**  
**Region of Durham Local MPPs**  
**Durham Regional Council**  
**All Ontario Municipalities**  
**Ontario's Big City Mayors**



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January 7, 2026

The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario  
Premier's Office  
Room 281, Legislative Building, Queen's Park  
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**RE: Affordable Rental Housing**

Dear Mr. Ford,

Please be advised that at the Regular Council Meeting on January 7<sup>th</sup>, 2026, Council for the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan passed the following resolution, supporting the resolution from the Municipality of Wawa.

**Resolution No:** 2026-01-07-06  
**Moved by:** Councillor Kauffeldt  
**Seconded by:** Councillor Quade

**"Be It resolved** that the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan support the Municipality of Wawa's resolution regarding Affordable Rental Housing as attached.

**And further that** this resolution be forwarded to the Premier of Ontario, Renfrew Nipissing Pembroke MPP and MP, and all municipalities in Ontario."

**Carried.**

Sincerely,

Tammy Thompson  
Deputy Clerk  
Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan



**The Corporation of the Municipality of Wawa**

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

**RESOLUTION**

**Tuesday, November 4, 2025**

<b>Resolution # RC25177</b>	<b>Meeting Order: 5</b>
<b>Moved by:</b> <i>M. McField</i>	<b>Seconded by:</b> <i>A. Wopato</i>

**WHEREAS** this council understands that the need for affordable rental housing not only applies to new builds but also to the protection of existing affordable units; and

**WHEREAS** the removal of rent control in 2018 on any new residential rental unit opened the door to excessive year over year rent increases and the resulting anxiety and mental anguish that come with unpredictable rental costs and loss of housing security; and

**WHEREAS** the loss of rent control has caused a high number of people across Ontario to be forced out of their homes due to their inability to afford their rent increases; and

**WHEREAS** without protection from excessive and malicious rent increases, many Wawa renters will also be at risk of being priced out of their own homes; and

**WHEREAS** unlimited rent increases can be used as a tool by landlords acting in bad faith to remove existing tenants in order to replace them with new tenants at increased rates; and

**WHEREAS** providing housing stability, maintaining affordable housing stock, and protecting renters from unfair rent increases is of utmost importance to this council.

**WHEREAS** This council recognizes that landlords are essential to a flourishing and affordable housing system; and

**WHEREAS** maintaining Northern Ontario as a location that is attractive to landlords is of utmost importance.

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# The Corporation of the Municipality of Wawa

## REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

### RESOLUTION

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Wawa request the Province of Ontario provide adequate protection against excessive and malicious rent increases for all rental units occupied for residential purposes while maintaining the ability for landlords to operate a viable and sustainable business, and that the Clerk for the Municipality of Wawa send a letter to Honourable Doug Ford Premier of Ontario, MPP Bill Rosenberg, MP Terry Sheehan, and other municipalities throughout Ontario for their endorsement consideration.

RESOLUTION RESULT		RECORDED VOTE	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	CARRIED	MAYOR AND COUNCIL	YES NO
<input type="checkbox"/>	DEFEATED	Mitch Hatfield	
<input type="checkbox"/>	TABLED	Cathy Cannon	
<input type="checkbox"/>	RECORDED VOTE (SEE RIGHT)	Melanie Pilon	
<input type="checkbox"/>	PECUNIARY INTEREST DECLARED	Jim Hoffmann	
<input type="checkbox"/>	WITHDRAWN	Joseph Opato	

#### Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and the general nature thereof.

- ☐ Disclosed the pecuniary interest and general name thereof and abstained from the discussion, vote and influence.

Clerk: \_\_\_\_\_

MAYOR - MELANIE PILON	CLERK - MAURY O'NEILL

**From:** [Sawden, Vanessa](#)  
**To:** [Sawden, Vanessa](#)  
**Subject:** Notice of Temporary Lane Reductions: Bayview Avenue, Town of Newmarket - January 26 to July 31, 2026  
**Date:** January 9, 2026 11:28:12 AM  
**Attachments:** [Temporary Lane Reductions, Bayview Avenue, Town of Newmarket - Business Letter.pdf](#)  
[Temporary Lane Reductions, Bayview Avenue, Town of Newmarket - Postcard.pdf](#)

**CAUTION:** This email originated outside of the Town of Newmarket. **DO NOT** click links or open attachments unless you recognize the sender and trusted content.

Hello,

Attached and below is advance notice of infrastructure work, shared ahead of public communication.

Beginning Monday, January 26, planned lane reductions will be in place on Bayview Avenue between Stonehaven Avenue/Silken Laumann Drive and Laurelwood Gate/Brooker Ridge in the Town of Newmarket. This project is being led by **Marianneville Stonehaven Developments Ltd.** as part of their development project, in coordination with the Town of Newmarket and York Region Development Services.

The following is a summary of the key details for your awareness:

- **Planned work:** Marianneville Stonehaven Developments Ltd. will be replacing a culvert at Weslie Creek to alleviate storm flooding and improve infrastructure
- **Project lead:** Marianneville Stonehaven Developments Ltd.
- **Key dates:** Monday, January 26, 2026 at 7 a.m. to Friday, July 31, 2026 at 7 p.m.

#### Impacts to travellers:

- Bayview Avenue between Stonehaven Avenue/Silken Laumann Drive and Laurelwood Gate/Brooker Ridge will be reduced to **one lane in each direction** during the closure period
- Work will occur in two stages
  - **Stage 1:** Traffic and pedestrian access shifts to the east side while work occurs on the west side
  - **Stage 2:** Traffic and pedestrian access will shift to the west side while work occurs on the east side
- All access will remain
  - Local traffic maintained and entrances to businesses remain open
  - Pedestrian access will be maintained throughout the closure period
  - Signage will be in place to guide travellers

As with all road construction projects, work may be rescheduled due to weather or to accommodate other work underway in the area. York Region will provide advance notice whenever possible.

For questions about the project, contact:

- Frank Lombardi, Program Manager, Development Engineering, at 1-877-464-9675 ext. 76088 or [frank.lombardi@york.ca](mailto:frank.lombardi@york.ca)
- Nasir Mahmood, Development Construction Coordinator, at 1-877-464-9675 ext. 76929 or [nasir.mahmood@york.ca](mailto:nasir.mahmood@york.ca)

For questions about the temporary lane reductions, contact:

- John La Chapelle, Manager, Corridor Control and Incident Management, at 1-877-464-9675 ext. 75784 or [John.LaChapelle@york.ca](mailto:John.LaChapelle@york.ca)

For general inquiries, contact us at 1-877-464-9675 or via email at [transportation@york.ca](mailto:transportation@york.ca)

It may be appropriate for your office to forward this notice to your elected officials and staff as required.

Best,

Vanessa

*Our working hours may be different. Please don't feel obliged to respond outside of your scheduled working hours. Let's work together to help foster healthy work-life boundaries.*

**Vanessa Sawden (she/her)** | Communications and Engagement Associate  
Sustainability, Communications and Innovation, Public Works

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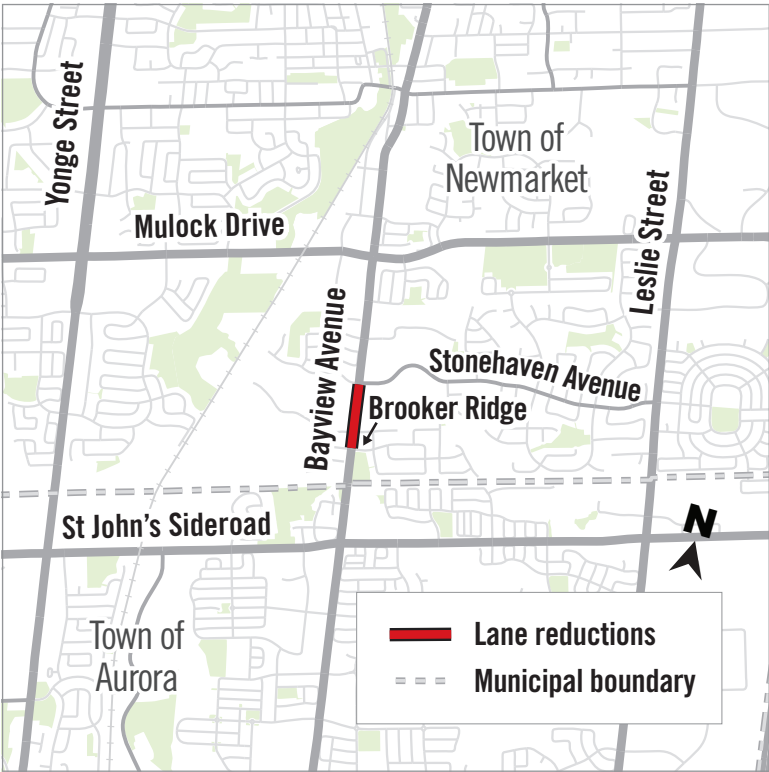
Our Mission: **Working together to serve our thriving communities – today and tomorrow**

# Notice of Temporary Lane Reductions

Transportation improvements prepare York Region to meet the needs of motorists, cyclists, pedestrians and transit users today and into the future.

## DESCRIPTION

- **Marianneville Stonehaven Developments Ltd.** will be replacing a culvert on Bayview Avenue at Weslie Creek in the Town of Newmarket to alleviate storm flooding and improve infrastructure as part of their development project
- To complete the culvert replacement, lane reductions are required on Bayview Avenue between Stonehaven Avenue/Silken Laumann Drive and Laurelwood Gate/Brooker Ridge
- Bayview Avenue will be reduced to one lane in each direction, with work occurring in two stages
  - » **Stage 1:** Traffic and pedestrian access will shift to the east side of Bayview Avenue while work takes place on the west side
  - » **Stage 2:** Traffic and pedestrian access will shift to the west side while work occurs on the east side



## DURATION

Monday, January 26, 2026 at 7 a.m. to Friday, July 31, 2026 at 7 p.m.

## IMPACTS TO TRAVELLERS

- Local traffic will be maintained and entrances to businesses will remain open
- Pedestrian access will remain open on one side of road throughout the closure period
- Signs will be in place to guide travellers

As with all construction projects, work may be rescheduled due to weather. York Region will provide advance notice where possible.

Thank you for your patience during the closure period. We understand construction creates challenges for the community and are working to complete this work with minimal disruption. If you have any questions or concerns, staff will be pleased to respond. Contact us using any method noted below and quote **"Bayview Avenue lane closures"** in your inquiry.

## STAY INFORMED WITH THE LATEST UPDATES

- Visit [york.ca/RoadConstruction](https://york.ca/RoadConstruction) to view current road construction projects
- Follow [@YorkRegionGovt](https://www.facebook.com/YorkRegionGovt) on Facebook using #onYRRoads

Accessible formats of this notice and communication supports are available upon request.

Have questions? Contact us today.  
Phone: 1-877-464-9675  
TTY: 711  
Email: [transportation@york.ca](mailto:transportation@york.ca)  
After hours emergency: 1-877-464-9675 ext. 75200





# Temporary lane reductions

January 26, 2026 to July 31, 2026

Bayview Avenue  
Town of Newmarket

[york.ca/RoadClosures](https://york.ca/RoadClosures)

**Marianneville Stonehaven Developments Ltd.** will be replacing a culvert on Bayview Avenue at Weslie Creek in the Town of Newmarket to alleviate storm flooding and improve infrastructure as part of their development project.

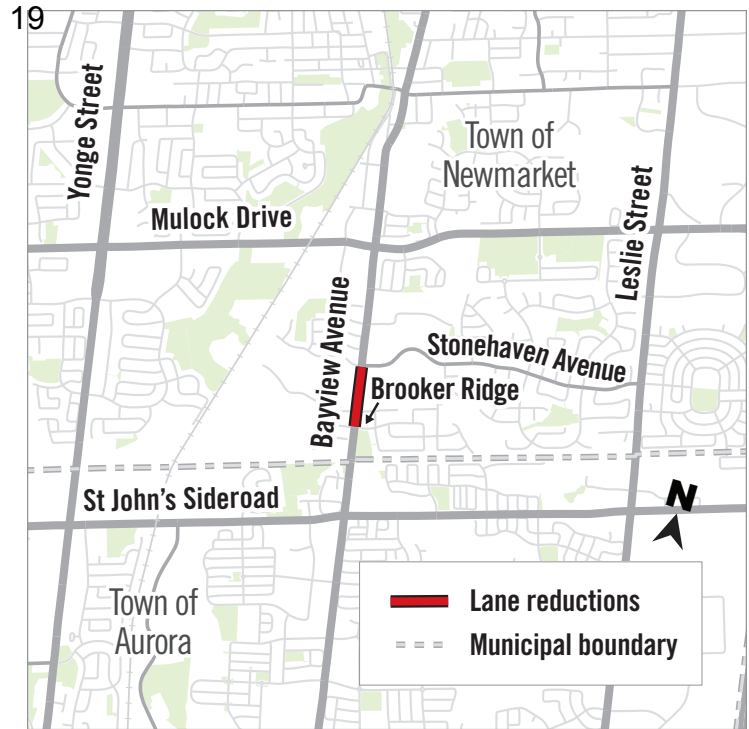
To complete the culvert replacement, **lane reductions are required on Bayview Avenue between Stonehaven Avenue/Silken Laumann Drive and Laurelwood Gate/Brooker Ridge from Monday, January 26, 2026 at 7 a.m. to Friday, July 31, 2026 at 7 p.m.** Local traffic will be maintained and entrances to businesses will remain open.

Bayview Avenue will be reduced to one lane in each direction, with work occurring in two stages

- **Stage 1:** Traffic and pedestrian access will shift to the east side of Bayview Avenue while work takes place on the west side
- **Stage 2:** Traffic and pedestrian access will shift to the west side while work occurs on the east side

Pedestrian access will remain open on one side of road throughout the closure period. Signs will be in place to guide travellers.

Learn more by visiting [york.ca/RoadClosures](https://york.ca/RoadClosures)



*Accessible formats of this postcard and communication supports available upon request.*

**Have questions? Contact us today.**

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**To:** [Sawden, Vanessa](#)  
**Cc:** [La Chapelle, John](#); [Lombardi, Frank](#); [Mahmood, Nasir](#)  
**Subject:** Notice of Temporary Lane Reductions: Bayview Avenue, Town of Newmarket - January 26 to July 31, 2026  
**Date:** January 9, 2026 2:40:32 PM  
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## TEMPORARY LANE REDUCTIONS

### Bayview Avenue

### Town of Newmarket

This email is to advise of the upcoming temporary lane reductions on **Bayview Avenue between Stonehaven Avenue/Silken Laumann Drive and Laurelwood Gate/Brooker Ridge** in the Town of Newmarket.

#### Description

- **Marianneville Stonehaven Developments Ltd.** will be replacing a culvert on Bayview Avenue at Weslie Creek in the Town of Newmarket to alleviate storm flooding and improve infrastructure as part of their development project
- To complete the culvert replacement, lane reductions are required on Bayview Avenue between Stonehaven Avenue/Silken Laumann Drive and Laurelwood Gate/Brooker Ridge
- Bayview Avenue will be reduced to one lane in each direction, with work occurring in two stages
  - **Stage 1:** Traffic and pedestrian access will shift to the east side of Bayview Avenue while work takes place on the west side
  - **Stage 2:** Traffic and pedestrian access will shift to the west side while work occurs on the east side

#### Duration

- Monday, January 26, 2026 at 7 a.m. to Friday, July 31, 2026 at 7 p.m.

#### Impacts to travellers

- Local traffic will be maintained and entrances to businesses will remain open
- Pedestrian access will remain open on one side of road throughout the closure period
- Signs will be in place to guide travellers

For questions about the project, contact:

- Frank Lombardi, Program Manager, Development Engineering, at 1-877-464-9675 ext. 76088 or [frank.lombardi@york.ca](mailto:frank.lombardi@york.ca)

- Nasir Mahmood, Development Construction Coordinator, at 1-877-464-9675 ext. 76929 or [nasir.mahmood@york.ca](mailto:nasir.mahmood@york.ca)

For questions about the temporary lane reductions, contact:

- John La Chapelle, Manager, Corridor Control and Incident Management, at 1-877-464-9675 ext. 75784 or [John.LaChapelle@york.ca](mailto:John.LaChapelle@york.ca)

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Please communicate this information with your colleagues as appropriate.

Thank you,

Vanessa

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**Vanessa Sawden (she/her)** | Communications and Engagement Associate  
Sustainability, Communications and Innovation, Public Works

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# Temporary lane reductions

January 26, 2026 to July 31, 2026

Bayview Avenue  
Town of Newmarket

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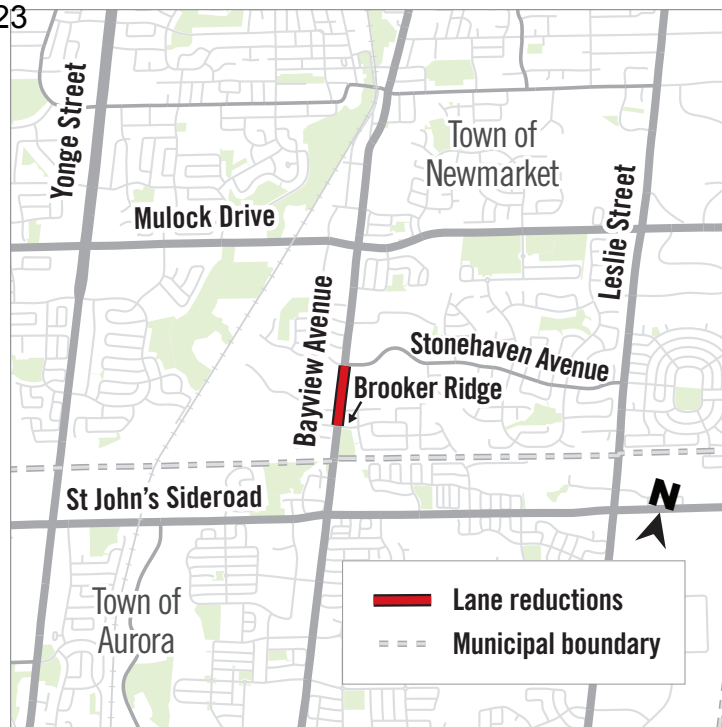
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November 5, 2025

Via email: [doug.fordco@pc.ola.org](mailto:doug.fordco@pc.ola.org)

Premier's Office  
 Room 281  
 Main Legislative Building, Queen's Park  
 Toronto, ON M7A 1A5

Dear Hon. Doug Ford,

**Re: Collaborative Action on Sustainable Waste Management**

Please be advised that South Huron Council passed the following resolution at their November 3, 2025, Regular Council Meeting:

445-2025  
 Moved By: Ted Oke  
 Seconded by: Aaron Neeb

**That South Huron Council support the October 21, 2025 Resolution of Tay Valley Township regarding Collaborative Action on Sustainable Waste Management; and**

**That the supporting resolution and originating documentation be circulated to Premier Ford, AMO and all Ontario Municipalities.**

Result: Carried

Please find attached the originating correspondence for your reference.

Respectfully,

Kendra Webster, Legislative & Licensing Coordinator  
 Municipality of South Huron  
[kwebster@southhuron.ca](mailto:kwebster@southhuron.ca)  
 519-235-0310 x. 232

Encl.

cc: AMO, [resolutions@amo.on.ca](mailto:resolutions@amo.on.ca); and all Ontario Municipalities



**Regular Council**  
**December 15, 2025**  
245-2025

**Moved by:**

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**Seconded by:**

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WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Prescott support the Municipality of Tweed's, the Tay Valley Township's, and the Municipality of South Huron's resolutions regarding waste incineration and a more Robust Recycling Program;

AND WHEREAS it is incumbent upon the members of council, MPPs and MPs to make the decisions that will result in the most positive outcomes for now and future generations;

AND WHEREAS continuing to bury garbage in the ground will result in our future generations having lost potable groundwater as a result of garbage leachate rendering is unsuitable;

AND WHEREAS burying garbage, particularly organic waste in landfills, leads to the production of methane a greenhouse gas, which escapes into the atmosphere and contributes to climate change causing more environmental destruction;

AND WHEREAS we continue to destroy our environmental jeopardizing our future generations;

AND WHEREAS we have worldwide technology that will allow us to use of clean incineration and also produce much needed electric energy;

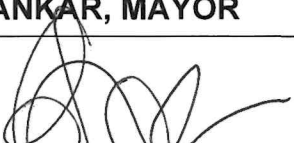
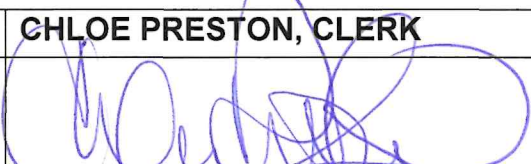




BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Prescott support the Municipality of Tweed in investigating the possibility of working together with Ontario Municipalities, Provincial and Federal Governments and manufacturing partners to form a working group to ensure that waste disposal issues can be resolved quickly, efficiently and effectively with the use of incineration, more robust recycling programs and sustainable practices, so that future generations will not suffer from our environmental mismanagement;

AND THAT this support be sent to Premier Ford, Marit Stiles, Leader of the Official Opposition Party, and all Ontario Municipalities.

		<b>REQUESTED BY:</b>		
		<b>RECORDED VOTE</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>
		Councillor Leanne Burton		
		Councillor Mary Campbell		
		Councillor Justin Kirkby		
<b>CARRIED:</b>	P	Councillor Lee McConnell		
<b>TABLED:</b>		Mayor Gauri Shankar		
<b>DEFEATED:</b>		Councillor Ray Young		
<b>RECORDED VOTE:</b>		Councillor Tracey Young		

<b>GAURI SHANKAR, MAYOR</b>	<b>CHLOE PRESTON, CLERK</b>
	



October 24, 2025

The Honorable Doug Ford  
Premier of Ontario  
Legislative Building, Queen's Park  
Toronto ON M7A 1A1

Sent by Email

Dear: Honorable Doug Ford,

**RE: Municipality of Tweed – Collaborative Action on Sustainable Waste Management in Ontario.**

The Council of the Corporation of Tay Valley Township at its meeting held on October 21<sup>st</sup>, 2025 adopted the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION #C-2025-10-22**

**MOVED BY:** Fred Dobbie  
**SECONDED BY:** Marilyn Thomas

**“WHEREAS**, the Council of the Corporation of Tay Valley Township Support the Municipality of Tweed’s resolution regarding waste incineration and a more Robust Recycling Program;

**AND WHEREAS**, It is incumbent upon the members of council, MPP's and MPs to make the decisions that will result in the most positive outcomes for now and future generations;

**AND WHEREAS**, with large urban centres now looking in rural areas of our province and entire country for lands to bury their garbage waste;

**AND WHEREAS**, a large landfill site owned by a large urban centre which receives 50% of their garbage at the present time is expected to be full by 2029 creating more environmental impacts;

**AND WHEREAS,** continuing to bury garbage in the ground will result in our future generations having lost potable groundwater as a result of garbage leachate rendering it unusable;

**AND WHEREAS,** burying garbage, particularly organic waste in landfills, leads to the production of methane a greenhouse gas, which escapes into the atmosphere and contributes to climate change causing more environmental destruction;

**AND WHEREAS,** we continue to destroy our environment jeopardizing our future generations;

**AND WHEREAS,** we have worldwide technology that will allow us the use of clean incineration and also produce much needed electric energy;

**AND WHEREAS,** the incineration of household and other municipal waste has a long tradition in Germany, which currently has 156 municipal thermal waste incineration facilities with an aggregate annual capacity of around 25 million tons;

**AND WHEREAS,** with a strong focus on community involvement, innovative infrastructure, and sustainable practices, Germany has set a high bar for municipal recycling programs that the rest of the world can learn from and emulate;

**AND WHEREAS,** at the present time, Germany recycles 66.1% of its garbage waste at a municipal level. This places the country as the most effective and prominent country when it comes to recycling in the entire world. This highlights the citizen's strength and motivation to deal with environmental issues on a daily basis;

**AND WHEREAS,** German schools often integrate recycling education into their curriculum. This early exposure to the importance of recycling instills a sense of responsibility in the younger generation, creating a culture of sustainability that transcends generations;

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT,** the Council of Tay Valley Township support the Municipality of Tweed in investigating the possibility of working together with Ontario Municipalities, Provincial and Federal Governments and manufacturing partners to form a working group to ensure that waste disposal issues can be resolved quickly, efficiently and effectively with the use of incineration, more robust recycling programs and sustainable practices, so that future generations will not suffer from our environmental mismanagement;

**AND THAT,** this support be sent to Premier Ford, Marit Stiles, Leader of the Official Opposition Party, and all Ontario Municipalities."

**ADOPTED**





If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned at (613) 267-5353 ext. 130 or [deputyclerk@tayvalleytwp.ca](mailto:deputyclerk@tayvalleytwp.ca)

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Aaron Watt".

Aaron Watt, Deputy Clerk

cc: Marit Stiles, Leader of the Official Opposition Party,  
All Municipalities in Ontario

THE MUNICIPALITY OF NORTH PERTH  
COUNCIL MEETING  
Regular Council - Updated



**Agenda Number:** 7.  
**Resolution Number** 03.01.26  
**Date:** January 12, 2026

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**Moved By** Lee Anne Andriessen  
**Seconded By** Sarah Blazek

THAT: The Council of the Municipality of North Perth supports item 7.22 Township of Perry Resolution re: Removal of HST and GST From New Homes; and

THAT: The Council of the Municipality of North Perth's supporting resolution be circulated to the Prime Minister of Canada, Minister of Finance, Minister of Housing, Infrastructure and Communities, the Premier of Ontario, the Ontario Minister of Finance, the Ontario Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Perth-Wellington MP, Perth-Wellington MPP, AMO, and all municipalities in Ontario.

ACTION ON MOTION:

CARRIED

  
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MAYOR OR OTHER ELECTED OFFICIAL



## The Corporation of the Township of Perry

Box 70 1695 Emsdale Road Emsdale, Ontario P0A 1J0

Date: December 17, 2025

Resolution No.: 2025- 448

**Moved By:** Joe Lumley **Seconded By:** Paul Sowrey

**Be it resolved that** the Council of the Township of Perry hereby support the October 21, 2025 resolution of the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury regarding the removal of the HST/GST from new homes purchased as primary residences to support housing affordability;

**And that** Council endorse the related November 3, 2025 supporting resolution of the Municipality of South Huron;

**And that** Council's supporting resolution be circulated to the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury, Municipality of South Huron, the Prime Minister of Canada, Minister of Finance and the Minister of Housing, Infrastructure and Communities, the Premier of Ontario, the Ontario Minister of Finance, the Ontario Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, MP Scott Aitchison and MPP Graydon Smith, AMO, and to all municipalities in Ontario.

**Carried:** ✓ **Defeated:** \_\_\_\_\_

  
**Norm Hofstetter, Mayor**

RECORDED VOTE		
Council	For	Against
<b>Councillors</b> Jim Cushman		
Joe Lumley		
Margaret Ann MacPhail		
Paul Sowrey		
<b>Mayor</b> Norm Hofstetter		



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**Town of Saugeen Shores**  
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January 14, 2026

**SENT VIA EMAIL**

The Honourable Doug Ford  
Premier of Ontario  
Legislative Building  
Queens Park  
Toronto, ON M7A 1A1

**Re: Motion Regarding the Saugeen Valley Conservation Authority**

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At the January 5, 2026, Regular Council meeting for the Town of Saugeen Shores, the following motion was passed:

**Resolution 010-2026**

**Moved by:** Councillor D. Myette

**Seconded by:** Councillor R. Stack

**Whereas** the Saugeen Valley Conservation Authority “The Authority” was established in 1950, 75 years ago by a group of municipalities, as a response to problems associated with flooding; and

**Whereas** the Town of Saugeen Shores is the single largest member by apportionment in this collection of 8 member municipalities, comprising of the main channel and mouth of the Saugeen River at Southampton. The Town of Saugeen Shores is the largest contributor of annual levies that cover the operation of the Authority; and

**Whereas** the member municipalities cover 44% of the operational costs of the SVCA, 7% coming from the Provincial funding and the remaining is generated through internally generated revenue and permitting fees; and

**Whereas** the fees charged by Conservation Authorities have been frozen for 3 years which has had the effect of shifting the financial burden onto levies and by extension the property tax payers; and

**Whereas** the Provincial Conservation Authorities Association (Conservation Ontario) has and continues to provide the respective Authorities with guidance, oversight, and consistency of regulation application; and

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**Whereas** the development of the “Agency” is proposed to be funded by municipalities and serves only to add another layer of Government bureaucracy, which by definition will serve only to increase financial burden on member Municipalities; and

**Whereas** one of the stated objectives of the “Agency” is development of a single digital permitting platform. This approach will serve to alienate a significant portion of our residents who do not have access to internet services, due to rural location or due to religious beliefs; and

**Whereas** the SVCA is located in a primarily rural geographic region, that due to the proposed consolidation of 7 Authorities will be seemingly overshadowed by much larger and more densely populated authorities with much larger urban components; and

**Whereas** the SVCA has worked hard to achieve a streamlined and efficient operation and service delivery model, due in large part to the direct oversight by a Board comprised of member municipalities appointed elected officials; and

**Whereas** the proposed consolidated Huron-Superior Authority would be comprised of up to 80 municipalities, 23,000 sq/km and by extension, a Board of Directors that would be so large as to be unmanageable, and would surely result in smaller rural municipalities losing direct control over the operation of the Authority; and

**Whereas** the inclusion of Lakehead Region CA in North West Ontario, could have detrimental repercussions arising from travel distance and geographic differences alone; and

**Whereas** the Saugeen Valley Conservation Authority owns and manages thousands of acres of CA land, many of which are income generating, through user fees, land leases, managed forest harvest, and campground fees. The Amalgamation plan does not address how these assets, which by extension belong to member Municipalities, would be equitably divested. Many of these properties were granted to the Authority, specifically detailing the nature and terms of ownership which legally must be maintained going forward; and

**Whereas** Authorities across the province have liquid assets in the form of trusts, and reserves that belong to member municipalities which run the risk of being swallowed up by large Authorities with larger budgets and resources.

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**Now Therefore, be it Resolved** that the Town of Saugeen Shores requests that the Amalgamation into the “Huron Superior Regional Conservation Authority” as outlined in ERO 025-1257 be reconsidered. This in order to maintain the local oversight and protect against as yet unforeseen consequences which will serve to undermine the SVCA’s ability to provide regional knowledge-based service delivery and management of properties under our stewardship and ownership; and

**Further** ensure that should the amalgamations go forward that consideration be given to grouping Rural Authorities with similar watershed characteristics together, while grouping more Urban Authorities together for similar reasons; and

**Further** ensure that any transitional costs are fully funded by the Province and not borne by member Municipalities, and that Municipalities are provided with clear funding models in 2026 so as to allow for sufficient planning data for the 2027 budgets; and

**Further** that Saugeen Shores Council urges the Province to engage with affected municipalities and First Nations communities in a meaningful way to collaboratively review the service delivery model and standardize only where necessary paying attention to the different needs of Rural and Urban Authorities. That the Province use this approach rather than develop another level of administration and the associated financial burden that would surely result; and

**Finally** that this resolution be included in the Municipalities ERO response and be forwarded to the:

- Premier of Ontario;
- Minister of Environment Conservation and Parks;
- Bruce County Council;
- All of Ontario’s Municipalities;
- Huron Bruce MPP/ Minister of Rural Affairs;
- The board of Rural Ontario Municipal Association;
- AMO; and,
- Conservation Ontario.



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## Town of Saugeen Shores

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Sincerely,

Ashlynn Kennedy  
Licensing and Records Clerk

cc: Minister of Environment Conservation and Parks;  
Bruce County Council;  
All Ontario Municipalities;  
Huron Bruce MPP/ Minister of Rural Affairs;  
The board of Rural Ontario Municipal Association;  
AMO; and,  
Conservation Ontario.

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## COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Resolution No.: 22-26

Date: Jan 13, 2026

Moved By: Ron Giardetti

Seconded By: Don Smith

THAT Council hereby receives and supports the resolution from the United Counties of Leeds and Grenville regarding Bill 9, Municipal Accountability Act, 2025;

AND THAT Council directs the Clerk to forward a copy of this resolution to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, the Honourable Rob Flack, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, The Honourable Lise Vaugeois, MPP Thunder Bay-Superior North, the Honourable Kevin Holland, MPP Thunder Bay-Atikokan, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), and all Ontario Municipalities.

☒ **Carried**

☐ **Defeated**

☐ **Amended**

☐ **Deferred**

Signature

Municipality of Shuniah, 420 Leslie Avenue, Thunder Bay, Ontario, P7A 1X8





## The United Counties of Leeds and Grenville

**Resolution No. CC- 179 - 2025**

**Date:** December 18, 2025

Moved by

Tory Descamps

Seconded by

Nancy Peckford

**WHEREAS** on May 1, 2025, Bill 9, Municipal Accountability Act, 2025, re-introduced legislation originally proposed under Bill 241; and

**WHEREAS** Bill 9, if passed, would enable the creation of a new, standardized municipal code of conduct, an integrity commissioner inquiry process that would be consistent throughout the province and mandatory code of conduct training for members of council and certain local boards; and

**WHEREAS** Bill 9, Municipal Accountability Act, 2025, was ordered for a third reading on October 20, 2025; and

**WHEREAS** the Council of the Corporation of the United Counties of Leeds and Grenville deems it advisable for Bill 9 to be passed promptly.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Corporation of the United Counties of Leeds and Grenville calls for Bill 9 to proceed to its third reading forthwith; and

**THAT** a copy of this resolution be forwarded to The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, The Honourable Rob Flack, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, The Honourable Steve Clark, MPP, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), and all Ontario municipalities.

Carried ☒ Defeated ☐ Deferred ☐

Corinna Smith-Gatcke  
Corinna Smith-Gatcke, Warden



**City of Stratford, Corporate Services Department**

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January 15, 2026

**Sent by email:** [doug.fordco@pc.ola.org](mailto:doug.fordco@pc.ola.org)

The Honourable Doug Ford

Premier of Ontario

Legislative Building, Queen's Park

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Dear Honourable Doug Ford,

**Re: Bill 68, Plan to Protect Ontario Act, and ERO Posting 025-1257**

At the January 12, 2026, Regular meeting, Stratford City Council considered resolutions from the Upper Thames River Conservation Authority and the Long Point Region Conservation Authority regarding Bill 68 and ERO Posting 025-1257 relating to the proposed boundaries for the regional consolidation of Ontario's conservation authorities.

At the meeting, Stratford City Council adopted the following resolution:

R2026-21

**THAT CA-2026-007, being resolutions regarding Bill 68: Plan to Protect Ontario Act, be endorsed.**

A copy of the endorsed resolution has been provided below:

**WHEREAS** the Conservation Authorities Act (1946) enables municipalities to establish local conservation authorities, and when municipalities choose to form such authorities, they assume responsibility for governance and funding through the appointment of a Board of Directors and the provision of an annual levy to cover expenses;

**AND WHEREAS** the City of Stratford established the Upper Thames River Conservation Authority (initially formed in 1947);

**AND WHEREAS** local municipalities currently provide approximately 35% of total conservation authority funding, while the Province of Ontario provides approximately 2% (2026 budget);

**AND WHEREAS** municipalities have governed their respective conservation authorities for decades, tailoring programs and services to local watershed needs, maintaining accountable service standards, and ensuring fair and predictable costs for ratepayers;

**AND WHEREAS** conservation authorities collectively own and manage thousands of acres of land. Many of these properties were entrusted to the UTRCA for long-term protection, stewardship, and the public good, with the expectation that such lands would be cared for by locally governed conservation authorities;

**AND WHEREAS** Bill 68 (Schedule 3) proposes the creation of the Ontario Provincial Conservation Agency, a Crown corporation that would assume governance responsibilities and consolidate Ontario's 36 conservation authorities into seven regional authorities, with municipal cost apportionment yet to be defined;

**AND WHEREAS** the Province already possesses the authority to establish overarching legislation, regulations, and standards through the Conservation Authorities Act and the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of The Corporation of the City of Stratford calls on the Government of Ontario to maintain local, independent, municipally governed, watershed-based conservation authorities to ensure strong local representation in decisions related to municipal levies, community-focused service delivery, and the protection and management of conservation lands;

**AND FURTHER THAT** while the City of Stratford supports provincial goals for consistent permit approval processes, shared services, and digital modernization, imposing a new top-down agency structure without strong local accountability and governance risks creating unnecessary cost, red tape, and bureaucracy, thereby undermining efficiency and responsiveness to local community needs;

**AND FURTHER THAT** the City of Stratford supports efforts to balance expertise, capacity, and program delivery across the province, and requests that the Province work collaboratively with municipalities and local conservation authorities to determine the most effective level of strategic consolidation to achieve both provincial and local objectives;

**AND FURTHER THAT** a copy of this resolution be sent to:

- the Ontario Minister of Environment, Conservation, and Parks,
- local MPPs,
- Association of Municipalities of Ontario,
- Rural Ontario Municipal Association,
- area Indigenous communities,
- all municipalities,
- Conservation Authorities, and
- Conservation Ontario.

Sincerely,

*T. Dafoe*

Tatiana Dafoe, Clerk  
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Cc: The Honourable Todd J. McCarthy, Minister of Environment, Conservation, and Parks,  
 Matthew Rae, Member of Provincial Parliament for Perth – Wellington,  
 Association of Municipalities of Ontario,  
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 The Upper Thames River Conservation Authority,  
 Long Point Region Conservation Authority, and  
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January 15, 2026

The Right Honourable Mark Carney, P.C., M.P. Prime Minister of Canada  
Office of the Prime Minister  
80 Wellington Street  
Ottawa, ON  
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[Mark.carney@parl.gc.ca](mailto:Mark.carney@parl.gc.ca)

Dear Prime Minister

Re: Support for the City of Welland's Call to Action for Justice and Protection of Canada's Children

At their Regular Meeting of Council on January 15, 2026, the Council of the Town of Aylmer endorsed the following resolution:

Whereas the Town of Aylmer supports the City of Welland's call to action for justice and protection of Canada's children; and,

Whereas the safety and well-being of children is a fundamental responsibility shared by all levels of government; and,

Whereas recent incidents involving sexual offences against children have deeply affected communities across Ontario and Canada, raising serious concerns about public safety and the adequacy of existing legislative protections; and,

Whereas violent sexual crimes against children represent some of the most serious offences under the Criminal Code of Canada and have lifelong impacts on victims, families, and communities; and,

Whereas municipalities play a critical role in advocating for policies that protect residents and promote safe communities; and,

Whereas there is a growing concern that gaps in bail, sentencing, parole eligibility, and offender monitoring allow high-risk individuals to re-enter communities pre-maturely, placing children at continued risk;

Now therefore be it resolved that the Council of the Town of Aylmer formally urges all levels of government to review and strengthen legislation and policies related to violent and sexual offences against children, including but not limited to:



1. Bail and Sentencing Provisions - ensuring that individuals charged with or convicted of violent sexual offences against children are subject to the strictest possible bail conditions and sentencing outcomes that reflect the severity of these crimes;
2. Parole and Early Release - limiting parole eligibility, statutory release, or other forms of early release for offenders convicted of sexual offences against children who pose ongoing risks to public safety;
3. Sex Offender Monitoring - strengthening the National Sex Offender Registry and related provincial tools to improve accuracy, enforcement, and timely access to information for law enforcement; and
4. Victim and Community Safety - prioritizing the protection of children and community safety within the justice system above administrative or procedural efficiencies;

And be it further resolved that copies of this resolution be forwarded to:

The Premier of Ontario  
 The Attorney General of Ontario  
 The Solicitor General of Ontario  
 The Prime Minister of Canada  
 The Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada  
 Member of Provincial Parliament, Rob Flack  
 Member of Parliament, Andrew Lawton  
 The Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) and;  
 All 444 Ontario Municipalities

And be it further resolved that Council encourages municipalities to adopt similar resolutions to work collaboratively to present a unified municipal voice advocating for stronger protections for children across Canada.

Yours sincerely,

**Owen Jaggard**

**Director of Legislative Services/Clerk | Town of Aylmer**

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January 15, 2026

To whom it May Concern:

**RE: Resolution - Support the City of Peterborough – Elect Respect Pledge**

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Please be advised that at the Township of Larder Lake's Regular Council Meeting held on Tuesday, January 13<sup>th</sup>, 2026, the following resolution of support was adopted:

Resolution #8, January 13, 2026

Moved by: Councillor Armstrong

Seconded by: Councillor Kelly

**Carried**

**Support the City of Peterborough – Elect Respect Pledge**

**WHEREAS** democracy is healthy when everyone is able to participate fully and safely and contribute to the well-being of their community;

**AND WHEREAS** we are witnessing the dissolution of democratic discourse and respectful debate across all levels of government and in neighbouring jurisdictions;

**AND WHEREAS** Ontario's municipally elected officials are dealing with increasingly hostile, unsafe work environments facing threats and harassment;

**AND WHEREAS** social media platforms have exacerbated disrespectful dialogue, negative commentary, and toxic engagement which disincentivizes individuals, especially women and candidates from diverse backgrounds from running for office;

**AND WHEREAS** better decisions are made when democracy is respectful and constructive and the voices of diverse genders, identities, ethnicities, races, sexual orientation, ages and abilities are heard and represented around municipal council tables;

**AND WHEREAS** the Association of Municipalities of Ontario's Healthy Democracy Project has identified concerning trends with fewer people voting in local elections and running for municipal office;



**AND WHEREAS** in 2024, female elected representatives from across Halton formed a group called H.E.R. (Halton Elected Representatives) which pledged to speak out against harassment and negativity in politics and call on elected officials to uphold the highest standards of conduct;

**AND WHEREAS** H.E.R. Halton has launched a campaign called *Elect Respect* to promote the importance of healthy democracy and safe, inclusive, respectful work environments for all elected officials that encourages individuals to participate in the political process;

**AND WHEREAS** on June 5, 2025, the Canadian Association of Feminist Parliamentarians launched a non-partisan "Parliamentary Civility Pledge" to encourage all parliamentarians to commit to end workplace harassment and increase civility on Parliament Hill, modelled after the pledge developed in Halton by representatives of H.E.R.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:**

**THAT** the Township of Larder Lake Council supports the *Elect Respect* pledge and commits to:

- Treat others with respect in all spaces—public, private, and online,
- Reject and call out harassment, abuse, and personal attacks,
- Focus debate on ideas and policies, not personal attacks,
- Help build a supportive culture where people of all backgrounds feel safe to run for and hold office,
- Call on relevant authorities to ensure the protection of elected officials who face abuse or threats, and
- Model integrity and respect by holding one another to the highest standards of conduct.

**AND THAT** the Township of Larder Lake Council calls on elected officials, organizations and community members to support the *Elect Respect* campaign and sign the online pledge at [www.electrespect.ca](http://www.electrespect.ca).

**AND THAT** a copy of this resolution be sent to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, Ontario's Big City Mayors, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities, the Office of the Mayor of Burlington, relevant MPs and MPPs, Regional Police, the Ontario Provincial Police and the Royal Canadian Mounted Police.

The originating correspondence is attached for your reference.

Sincerely,



**Crystal Labbe**  
**CAO/ Clerk Treasurer**



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January 9, 2025

Sent to: [info@naccacommunity.ca](mailto:info@naccacommunity.ca)

Copy: Sarah Ernst, [sernst@newmarket.ca](mailto:sernst@newmarket.ca)

Dear Newmarket African Caribbean Canadian Association:

**RE: Proclamation, Lighting, and Flag Raising Request – Black History Month 2026**

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I am writing to advise that your proclamation request has been approved in accordance with the Council-approved [Proclamation, Lighting Request and Community Flag Raising Policy](#), and Newmarket will proclaim February as Black History Month as per Newmarket Town Council direction at their January 23, 2023 meeting. Approved proclamations, lighting requests, and community flag raisings will be listed on the Town's website. Approved lighting and community flag raisings will also be communicated to the public through the Town's social media.

In addition, the Fred A. Lundy Bridge located on Water Street will be illuminated in green on February 11, 2026 to recognize Black History Month 2026. Please note that the lighting will occur from sunset until 11:00 PM.

In addition, the community flag pole located at the Newmarket Municipal Offices (395 Mulock Drive) will fly your flag on February 2, 2026 to February 10, 2026 and as in past years and in accordance with the Town of Newmarket Proclamation, Lighting, and Community Flag Raising Policy the flag raising will be extended until the end of the month if no other conflicting requests are received. Please note that the flag must be dropped off at the Town of Newmarket Municipal Offices (395 Mulock Drive) by 4:30 PM on January 28, 2026, ATTN: Facilities Alternatively, you can leave it in the drop off box at the front of the building after 4:30 PM.



**Simon Granat**  
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If you have any questions regarding the above, please feel free to contact the undersigned.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "S. Granat", written over a horizontal line.

Simon Granat  
Legislative Coordinator



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January 16, 2026

Sent to: [sallidina@findhelp.ca](mailto:sallidina@findhelp.ca); [qwhitney@findhelp.ca](mailto:qwhitney@findhelp.ca)

Dear Salman Allidina and Que-Suan Whitney

**RE: Proclamation and Lighting Request – National 211 Day**

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I am writing to advise that your proclamation request has been approved in accordance with the Council-approved [Proclamation, Lighting Request and Community Flag Raising Policy](#), and the Town of Newmarket will proclaim February 11, 2026 as National 211 Day. Approved proclamations, lighting requests, and community flag raisings will be listed on the Town's website. Approved lighting and community flag raisings will also be communicated to the public through the Town's social media.

In addition, the Fred A. Lundy Bridge located on Water Street will be illuminated in red on February 12, 2026 to recognize National 211 Day. Please note that the lighting will occur from sunset until 11:00 PM.

If you have any questions regarding the above, please feel free to contact the undersigned.

Yours sincerely,

Simon Granat  
 Legislative Coordinator



January 16, 2026

Sent to: [sallidina@findhelp.ca](mailto:sallidina@findhelp.ca); [qwhitney@findhelp.ca](mailto:qwhitney@findhelp.ca)

Dear Salman Allidina and Que-Suan Whitney

**RE: Proclamation and Lighting Request – National 211 Day**

On behalf of the Town of Newmarket Council I am pleased to recognize February 11, 2026 as National 211 Day.

In addition, the Riverwalk Commons and Fred A. Lundy Bridge located on Water Street will be illuminated in red on February 12, 2026 from sunset until 11:00 PM.

Thank you for submitting your request and for your contributions to the community.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink that reads 'John Taylor'. The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

John Taylor  
Mayor



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January 19, 2026

Sent to: [partners@blueseas.org](mailto:partners@blueseas.org)

Dear Danielle Ringer:

**RE: Lighting Request – Coldest Night of the Year – February 28, 2026**

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I am writing to advise that your proclamation request has been approved in accordance with the Council-approved [Proclamation, Lighting Request and Community Flag Raising Policy](#), and the Town of Newmarket will illuminate the Fred A. Lundy Bridge located on Water Street in winter blue on February 28, 2026 to recognize Coldest Night of the Year. Please note that the lighting will occur from sunset until 11:00 PM.

Approved proclamations, lighting requests, and community flag raisings will be listed on the Town's website. Approved lighting and community flag raisings will also be communicated to the public through the Town's social media.

If you have any questions regarding the above, please feel free to contact the undersigned.

Yours sincerely,

Simon Granat

Legislative Coordinator