

For Immediate Release

Municipality of Brockton COVID-19 Update: Municipal Services

Brockton, ON, November 17, 2020 – The cases in Grey Bruce and the Province of Ontario have increased markedly over the past weekend. Based on the following Grey Bruce Health Unit recommendations, residents are encouraged to keep their guard up and continue practicing public health measures, including:

- Avoiding gatherings and limiting close contact to only the people in your immediate household
- Keeping a 2 metre/6 foot distance apart from anyone outside your household
- Wearing a face covering
- Washing your hands often
- Staying home if you have COVID-19 symptoms, even if they are mild
- Getting tested if you have symptoms similar to COVID-19, or if you've been advised by public health or through the COVID Alert app
- Limiting travel, especially to and from regions with higher transmission

Council and Committee/Local Board Meetings:

At the November 10, 2020 Council Meeting, Brockton Council approved the [2021 Council Meeting Schedule](#), including the option to continue meeting electronically via Zoom Video Conferencing until April 2021. Committees and/or Local Boards of Council will continue to meet as required by electronic meeting until April 2021. If the majority of committee or board members are unable to participate in Zoom meetings, they are to contact Clerk, Fiona Hamilton at 519-881-2223 Ext. 124 or by [email](#) to arrange alternative solutions for those Committees or Local Boards.

Municipal Facilities:

All Municipal Facilities require members of the public to complete a COVID-19 Screening Protocol if they are interacting with staff. Members of the public entering a municipal facility must wear a face covering, sanitize their hands, and obey physical distancing requirements.

The Brockton Child Care Centre remains open for families from 6:45 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday to Friday.

All users of the Walkerton Community Centre (Arena) are required to follow guidelines which are in effect to ensure the health and safety of our community:

- Physical distancing
- Wearing a face covering (except on the ice surface)
- Obey gathering restrictions
- Capacity restrictions
- Limited access (Residents only have 15 minutes prior to ice rental and 15 minutes after vacating the ice)
- Passive screening
- Contact tracing
- No use of showers
- Obey all posted signage

The Municipal Office remains open to the public with regular hours of 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday to Friday. Some services require an appointment. Residents are encouraged to pay bills, including the upcoming tax bill (due November 30, 2020) by online or telephone banking. Visit www.Brockton.ca/Payments for further information on how to pay your bill.

With recent power outages, we remind residents to be prepared and have their 72 Hour Kits ready in the event of an emergency. Your emergency survival kit should have everything you and your family would need to be safe and take care of yourselves for at least three days immediately following an emergency. Visit www.Brockton.ca/EmergencyPreparednessWeek to learn more about what to include in your 72 Hour Kit.

Further Information:

The Municipality of Brockton continues to obtain information and updates from The Grey Bruce Health Unit and other health agencies and will provide new information to residents when available. The Municipality also continues to take all steps necessary to maintain essential services for our residents and local businesses. Visit www.Brockton.ca/COVID19 for updated information regarding the Municipality's response to the pandemic.