

For Immediate Release

Recycling Collection Suspended in the Municipality of Brockton Due to COVID-19 Precautions

Brockton, ON, March 25, 2020 – The Municipality of Brockton uses outside contractors to collect and sort recyclable materials by hand. This method of sorting has led to health and safety concerns for staff and the outside contractor made the decision to cancel sorting the recyclables. This was beyond the Municipalities control.

As a result, curbside recycling has ceased at this time. Residents are asked to hold recycling in clear bags on their property pending longer-term solutions currently being investigated by municipal staff.

Walkerton residents can drop off recyclables at the Walkerton/Hanover Landfill. Sorting in bins occurs on site at the landfill.

The Municipality will **not** be waiving fees for bag tags. Residents are encouraged to purchase more than one tag when out getting necessities such as groceries and gas.

Bag tags can be purchase for \$2.00 each at the following locations:

- Brant Landfill Site – 57 Concession 8, Elmwood
- Cargill Country Variety – 205 Main Street, Cargill
- Junction 4 & 19 – 1584 Bruce Road 4, Walkerton
- Circle K – 189 10th Street, Hanover
- Circle K – 13553 Bruce Road 10, Hanover
- Paisley Freshmart – 436 Queen Street North, Paisley
- Towne Convenience – 420 Durham Street East, Walkerton
- Walkerton Valu Mart – 1200 Yonge Street South, Walkerton
- Walkerton Foodland – 125 Durham Street East, Walkerton

The Greenock Landfill is closed to all residents. This has been done to accommodate staff health and safety. Greenock Landfill staff have been transferred to the Brant Landfill. This transfer was made to maintain a landfill service in the rural areas.

We are asking all residents to abide by closures, the suspension of recycling collection, and work with the Municipality to protect staff and the public through the COVID-19 pandemic crisis. Thank you for your cooperation.

We continue to encourage residents to stay safe at home, self-isolate and practice social distancing.

Further Updates:

The Municipality of Brockton will continue to obtain information and updates from the County of Bruce, The Grey Bruce Health Unit, the Province of Ontario and other health agencies and will provide new information to residents when available. The Municipality of Brockton will continue to take all steps necessary to maintain essential services for our residents and local businesses. Please visit www.Brockton.ca/COVID19 for updated information, or call the municipal office at 519-881-2223.