



# Arran-Elderslie Municipal Newsletter

Summer 2021

## Mayors Message

It is with great pleasure on behalf of council that I welcome our new Chief Administrative Officer Sylvia Kirkwood to Arran-Elderslie.

She brings over 27 years of municipal experience with a focus on land use planning. She looks forward to working with staff, residents and businesses to support our municipality.

She and her daughter will be residing in our community and are looking forward to getting more involved in community activities.

Sylvia started on May 25th and we are very excited to have her as CAO for the Municipality.

Wishing everyone a very healthy and safe summer.

**Steve Hammell**  
**Mayor of Arran-Elderslie**

## Important Municipal Dates

- June 28, 2021- Council Meeting (9:00am)
- July 1, 2021- Canada Day- Municipal Office Closed
- July 12, 2021- Council Meeting (9:00am)
- August 2, 2021 Civic Holiday- Municipal Office Closed
- August 9, 2021- Council Meeting (9:00am)
- September 6, 2021- Labour Day- Municipal Office Closed

Due to COVID-19 that the limit on gatherings, our Council Meetings which start at 9:00am are taking place over a teleconference phone line. These meetings are open for the public. Call information:

- North American Dial In Number (within Canada and U.S.): 1-866-512-0904
- Conference Access Code: 3547704

You can view Council Agendas and Minutes on the Agendas and Minutes page or Council Calendar.

## Municipal Office Opening

Please note that the Municipal Office in Chesley will be opening on Monday July 5<sup>th</sup>. Masks and physical distancing are required and there will be additional safety precautions in place. Staff can still be reached by telephone or email and are still committed to offering great service to ratepayers. Thank you to all those who have been understanding and supportive during this time!

## Blood Donor Clinic

Blood donor clinic taking place July 9<sup>th</sup> at the Chesley Community Centre. Give the gift of life.



## Virtual Community Information Session

Chesley Emergency Department –  
Update on Reduced Hours of Operation

Monday, June 21 @ 7:00 PM

If you have a computer and internet access, you can participate by Zoom video conference, or watch a live stream on SBGHC's Facebook page. You can also join by telephone.

To register and for instructions on how to connect, please contact:

[patientrelations@sbghc.on.ca](mailto:patientrelations@sbghc.on.ca) or

(519) 370-2400 ext. 2214

## Building Department Update

Patrick Johnston- Chief Building Official

The busy construction season started early this year in Arran-Elderslie! Should you have any building related inquires please contact the CBO at [building@arran-elderslie.ca](mailto:building@arran-elderslie.ca). In person appointments can be arranged. Building Permits can be applied for online at [www.arran-elderslie.biz](http://www.arran-elderslie.biz) through the CloudPermit system. Instructions for CloudPermit and other related questions can be found at our main website under "Business and Development".

As a reminder, Inspection requests require a minimum 48 hours notice. Contractors and home owners are urged to apply for permits and book Inspections through the CloudPermit process.

For program and facility information call Katrina Eke at 363-3039 ex 117 or [programs@arran-elderslie.ca](mailto:programs@arran-elderslie.ca). Check out our facebook page and website for updates on Municipal recreation activities and community events!

To register for Municipal programs, please complete a registration form and send it to Katrina, or drop off at the municipal office.

## Day Camp 2021

Day Camp takes place each summer in Chesley and Tara. This year the program will offer the hours of 8am to 5pm and will be available for full week enrollment only. You can sign up for 1 week, a few weeks or every week!

Children are looked after by qualified and caring staff. Program activities include crafts, playground visits, visiting local attractions, sports, games, and theme weeks.

Due to the Covid-19 restrictions, there will be no more than 15 children in a group with 2 instructors. Groups will utilize one specific area of the facility as a home base. That may include the arena floor, curling club floor, community hall, a lobby or a boardroom. Children of the same family will be in the same cohort.

All children will be screened and thermal scanned each day upon arrival. Should your child present with any Covid-19 symptoms, they will not be permitted to attend. All registrations must be in no later than June 25, 2021.

## A Message from our Treasury Department

Tracey Neifer- Treasurer

You can view an overview of our 2021 Municipal budget as well as financial statements on our website under 'Municipal Services', 'Budgets and Financial Statements'.

did you know?

We offer many different ways for you to pay your property taxes and invoices. You may pay by mail, internet or telephone banking, drop box at the Municipal Office and pre-authorized installment or monthly payments. For more information on these options, please visit the 'Paying Your Taxes' page on our website or call the Municipal Office. Please note that we do not mail receipts for payments unless they are sent in with a self-addressed and stamped envelope. Please enclose your stub with all payments.

Effective July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021 all vendors will be paid by electronic fund transfer.

June 25<sup>th</sup> is the next installment tax due date. FINAL tax due dates are August 25<sup>th</sup> & October 25<sup>th</sup>.

## Arran-Elderslie Surplus Auction

We have a number of surplus items that will be auctioned off through Gov-Deals. Anyone can bid on these items. A link to the Gov-Deals website will be uploaded as a news item on our website when the auction is launched.

Please see the list of items below.

- AR6 Sterling tandem dump truck, year 2000
- AE4 CAT compactor, year 1986
- CH8 Gravely Lawnmower, year 1992
- 3 Pt-hitch Buhler finishing mower, 6.5 ft farm king
- TA5 Grasshopper Lawnmower, year 1999
- RT2 International 674 tractor, year 1972
- Rec Utility trailer single axle, plywood fabricated
- GMC Superior Fire Truck, year 1991
- Poulan Lawn Tractor

## Swimming 2021

We look forward to a great pool season this year in AE that will allow us to offer programs such as swimming lessons, public swim, aquafit, adult swim.

There will however be a lot of changes at the pool which may include

- all participants will be screened and thermal scanned daily
- all participants must preregister to participate
- lower capacity allowed in at one time
- anyone in lessons below swimmer 4 will require an adult in the water with them
- class sizes will be much smaller
- lessons will be taught with the instructor being on the deck
- social distancing will be practiced
- changerooms may not be available

We reserve the right to change or cancel programs at our discretion. All registrations must be in no later than June 25, 2021.

## Summer Garbage and Recycling

Garbage and recycling collection is not affected by statutory holidays this summer. They will both be picked up on your normal days with no changes. The Arran landfill will be open on July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021 regular hours.



### HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION PROGRAM

#### 2021 EVENT SCHEDULE



Clean out your house, garage and basement to remove hazardous materials and dispose of them in an environmentally safe manner. Household hazardous waste materials include but are not limited to the following items:

Paints & Stains	Propane Tanks	Used Oil	Aerosols
Batteries	Antifreeze	Oil Filters	Solvents
Household Cleaners	Fluorescent Lights	Fertilizers	Fuel
Pharmaceuticals	Fire Extinguishers	Pesticides	Pool Chemicals

Residents of Bruce County are welcome to attend any of the following event locations.

Date	Time	Location
May 1, 2021	8am-12pm	Southampton Works Yard, 429 Peel St., Southampton
May 8, 2021	8am-1pm	Kincardine Public Works Yard, 140 Valentine Ave., Kincardine
June 5, 2021	8am-11am	South Bruce Municipal Building, 169 Bruce Road 3, Mildmay
	1pm-3:30pm	Bruce County Highways Garage, 545 Ludgard St. Lucknow
June 19, 2021	8am-1pm	Bruce County Highways Garage, 94 Bruce Road 2, Walkerton,
June 26, 2021	8am-11am	South Bruce Peninsula Works Garage 441048 Elm St., Wiarton
	1pm-3pm	St Edmunds Landfill Site, 71 McArthur Road Tobermory
August 7, 2021	8am-1pm	Kincardine Public Works Yard, 140 Valentine Ave. Kincardine,
August 14, 2021	8am-1pm	Bruce County Garage, 242 Canrobert St Paisley
August 21, 2021	8am-11am	Amabel Works Yard, 413 Municipal Road, Sauble Beach
	1pm-3:30pm	Eastnor Landfill Site, 1252 West Road, Lion's Head
August 28, 2021	8am-1 pm	Bruce County Garage, 94 Bruce Road 2, Walkerton
October 2, 2021	8am-1pm	Southampton Works Yard, 429 Peel St., Southampton

**COMMERCIAL, AGRICULTURAL, INDUSTRIAL WASTES, PCB'S, AMMUNITION OR FLARES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED. ONLY CONTAINERS WITH A VOLUME OF 30 LITRES OR LESS WILL BE ACCEPTED.**

Waste must be received in containers that can be disposed of, containers are not emptied and returned (ie. gas cans). Empty metal paint cans are blue box recyclable.

For further information, visit [www.brucecounty.on.ca/hazardous-waste.php](http://www.brucecounty.on.ca/hazardous-waste.php)  
 COUNTY OF BRUCE - TRANSPORTATION & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES  
 30 Park St. P.O Box 398, Walkerton, ON N0G 2V0  
 P: 519-881-2400

## Agricultural Waste Recycling

Starting June, 1<sup>st</sup> 2021 the Arran Landfill will be collecting clean twine, bale wrap, silage bags and bunker covers for recycling! This program is free of charge.

We are keen to explore ways to divert these plastics to help contribute to a more circular economy and conserve landfill space. Cleanfarms is working in Bruce County to test recycling options for these ag plastics.

These items must be placed in a clear collection bag. Farmers can pick up a collection bag from the landfill. Net wrap or netting, fiber twine (sisal) or nylon rope will not be collected as part of this program.

For more information, scan the barcode below to be taken to the website. You can also call Carly Fraser with Cleanfarms at 877-622-4460 ext 4420.



## Fire Permits

We now utilize an online system for issuing and managing burn permits. The system uses your google map address. Many of the county roads use the word "Road" in the address. Example "12567 Bruce County Road 7". If you cannot find the configuration that works for your address, you can drag the red dot to your property! Or please call the municipality and we would be happy to assist.

Agricultural burn permits are valid for 4 weeks at a time. You are required to call the number on your permit prior to burning.

Once you get your account set up, this will be a much easier system to operate and you can obtain your fire permit from your home on a yearly basis. It is also very beneficial to our fire departments, and anything we can do to make their jobs easier is a win! Please note if you are having a fire of any size you are required to obtain a fire permit.



# COVID-19 Update

The Province of Ontario has laid out a roadmap to reopening which includes three stages based on the percentage of the population that is vaccinated. There are a variety of ways for you to receive a vaccination.

## Grey Bruce Health Unit Contact

Please contact the Health Unit with any questions you may have regarding vaccine clinics, reopening guidelines or restrictions. They provide up to date information on their website. You can contact the Health Unit by phone at 519-376-9420 or 1-800-263-3456.

**As of June 14, 2021, 60.5% of Grey Bruce has been vaccinated with one dose!**

It's been over a year since our first case of COVID-19 in our community. We have all felt the toll this has taken on our families, community, and local economy. Finally, we are seeing a light at the end of the tunnel in the form of vaccinations becoming widely available. We know you have questions. If you are looking for information regarding COVID-19 vaccination, please call your health care provider. We want you to have the right information so you can make an informed decision. If you are interested in vaccination but are unsure of how to book, let us remove the barriers for you. There are now vaccinations available at the Chesley Medical Clinic through the Brockton and Area Family Health Team; call 519-363-3220 to book. Chesley Rexall is also providing vaccinations; call 519-363-3304 to book. In addition, Public health is offering mobile vaccination clinics for community groups unable to travel. If you feel there is interest in your community, please call the Chesley Medical Clinic and ask for Chenelle, and I would be happy to contact Public Health on your behalf. This is about protecting you, your family, your neighbors, and your healthcare system. It is about making sure your businesses thrive and schools stay open. Dr. Adam Winterton has given his thoughts on COVID-19 vaccination and he adds:

"We have eliminated any barriers to receiving a COVID vaccination and we highly recommend that you accept it. The vaccine is a safe and effective way to protect yourself, your family and the community as a whole. It is a crucial component of the effort to drive down community spread and return to more normal social contact in our lives".

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.



Dr. Adam Winterton



Chenelle Knapp, RPN

## COVID-19 Roadmap to Reopen – Key Highlights



Key health indicators include declining hospitalization, ICU, cases rate and % positivity

Based on current trends in key health indicators, including the provincial vaccination rate, Ontario expects to enter Step One of the roadmap around June 14, 2021.

For the full plan, visit [ontario.ca/reopen](https://ontario.ca/reopen)

