



# Township of Wainfleet

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## **The Township of Wainfleet Announces Additional Steps to Limit the Spread of Coronavirus (COVID-19)**

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While recognizing that Niagara Region Public Health has reported that the risks surrounding COVID-19 remain low to residents, members of the Wainfleet's Emergency Control Group announced that Township will be taking additional steps to limit the spread of COVID-19.

"With the closure of facilities in surrounding municipalities, we are seeing an influx of visitors to our facilities from outlying areas" said Chief Administrative Officer William Kolasa. "This presents a new challenge and changes the entire dynamic of the situation in Wainfleet". A risk evaluation undertaken today using the Government of Canada's community-based measures to mitigate the spread of Coronavirus disease (COVID-19) suggested that additional steps should be taken to ensure the health and safety of our residents and the greater Wainfleet community.

As a precautionary measure, and in keeping with measures taken by the Province of Ontario and our neighbouring municipal partners, the Township will be closing the Wainfleet Public Library and the Wainfleet Arena (and Senior's Centre) effective 3:00 pm today, until April 5, 2020. Programming in these facilities will be cancelled during this period. The Wainfleet Firefighters Memorial Community Hall will also close effective Sunday March 15 until April 5, 2020.

While the Township recognizes that these closures will impact many users and organizations; it is appropriate and necessary to lessen the spread of COVID-19. All individuals and organizations affected by these closures will have their facility rental fees refunded without penalty.

The Township has partially activated its Emergency Operations Centre (EOC) and the Emergency Control Group will continue to meet at least daily to examine this fluid and rapidly evolving situation. Additional updates will be provided as they become available.

For questions regarding Library programming, please call 905- 899-1277 ext. 281.

For questions regarding Arena programming, please call 905-899-1283.

Information and updates about Coronavirus are available on [Niagara Region Public Health's web page](#).