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Dear Residents,

Welcome to the Ward 4 newsletter. We trust you will find it interesting. As your members of Council, we are committed to maintaining and enhancing high quality infrastructure and services, keeping finances healthy, controlling growth and preserving greenspace.

### **Protecting our greenspaces**

Council continues to focus on preserving greenspace, growing our tree canopy and protecting Oakville's natural landscape. We are excited about Oakville's recent acquisition from the Province of 284 acres of greenspace in the Merton Lands, which includes Deerfield Golf course. Learn more on page 6.

# Controlling growth and planning complete communities

The Government of Ontario has introduced changes to land-use planning which require GTA municipalities to plan for increased growth in residential and employment lands. Halton Region and the Town of Oakville are undertaking reviews of the Official Plans to manage growth to the year 2041. The Town of Oakville recently held open houses for the Midtown and Uptown growth areas as well as Palermo Village, to receive valuable feedback from residents that will help guide our decision-making. Oakville's plan directs growth to several nodes and corridors to protect existing stable neighbourhoods from unexpected



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development applications. An update on the legal battle regarding the Glen Abbey Golf Course lands can be found on page 6.

### **Building and renewing infrastructure**

Council will continue to focus on building and maintaining infrastructure that improves the livability of our communities. Over the last decade we have resurfaced a significant number of roads in Ward 4, and you will see which roads are scheduled to be resurfaced in 2018 in the pages to follow. Learn more about traffic calming and active transportation on pages 4 and 5.

#### Keeping our finances healthy

Council remains committed to its goal of keeping the tax increase at or below inflation. For 2018 we are pleased to report that Oakville's tax increase was the lowest of all Halton municipalities. The following page provides more detail about Oakville's finances.

It's important to us that we be accessible to our constituents. If you have any questions or concerns regarding any matters involving Oakville or Halton Region we are only a call or click away.

We wish you a safe and pleasant summer.

Best regards,

Allan and Peter

# Overall property tax increase of 1.78 per cent approved

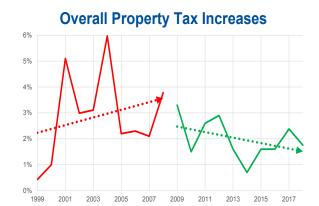
Overall property tax increase of 1.78 per cent approved Council unanimously passed the 2018 budget with an overall property tax increase of 1.78 per cent including the town, regional and expected education components.

Recent Toronto Consumer Price Index values for 2017 showed average annual inflation increases of 2.1 per cent. Oakville's approved overall property tax increase for 2018 is the lowest for the fourth year running when compared to neighbouring municipalities such as Burlington, Milton and Mississauga. The approved budget also positions Oakville to keep overall property tax increases in line with inflation out to 2020.

Highlights of the approved 2018 capital budget include projects related to transportation, traffic safety measures, infrastructure renewal and other growth-related facilities. One of the large key projects relates to the Road Resurfacing and Preservation Program which is the largest in Oakville's history. New capital funding now also exists for the installation of flashing 40 km/h signage in school zones, for pedestrian safety initiatives and for the Gypsy Moth Spraying Program.

Public consultation throughout the budget process supported Council's approval with the addition of a bocce ball court for Glenashton Park, additional funds to support the Oakville Arts Council grant program, funding for the Backyard Tree Planting Program in partnership with Oakvillegreen, and additional traffic safety initiatives.

The approved budgets over the last decade have resulted in tax increases that are lower, more predictable and trending down compared with the previous 10-year period between 1999 and 2008. Thank you to our residents, community leaders, partners and agencies who shared valuable input with Council. Council is pleased with the strong alignment between the budget and community priorities.



# New Animal Control By-law Effective June 4, 2018

Following extensive review and public input, the Town of Oakville strengthened its animal control by-law to better serve the community and ensure a positive quality of life for all pets within the town. The new by-law went into effect on June 4, 2018 and provides regulation for pets at large, leash requirements and standards of care.

The standards of care section includes allowing Oakville & Milton Humane Society (OMHS) officers to address issues such as dogs left in cars, unsanitary living conditions and adequate shelter and protection from the elements.

Dogs and cats are not allowed to roam at large which means they may not stray or roam off an owner's property. When not on the owner's property, dogs must be on a leash of some kind and under the control of a person who has sufficient strength and ability to maintain control of the dog at all times. Dogs, however, may be off leash while at a designated leash-free park.

There are six lease-free parks in Oakville:

- Shell Park at 3307 Lakeshore Road West
- Palermo Park at 2345 Dundas Street West
- North Park at 3250 Neyagawa Blvd
- Glenashton Park at 1051 Glenashton Dr.

- Kingsford Gardens at 2667 Kingsway Dr.
- Post Park at 512 Macdonald Rd.

Owners are reminded that they must pick up after their pets, including on their own property, and dispose of excrement in a proper refuse receptacle.

The new by-law permits a combined dog and cat limit of six animals, with a maximum of three dogs. This is consistent with neighbouring municipalities and will assist in addressing unsanitary conditions and nuisance complaints. The by-law also lists animals that are prohibited as pets including, but not limited to, monkeys, chickens and pigs.

Violations of the animal control by-law can now be handled through the Administrative Penalty System much like a parking ticket. This allows staff to address minor violations with an administrative penalty fee which helps reduce reliance on the courts and ultimately results in quicker resolutions.

As with the previous animal control by-law, remember that all dogs in the Town of Oakville over the age of six months must be licensed and all cats must meet identification requirements.

More information on animal control is available at the Town's website www.oakville.ca.

# **Coordinating Traffic Signals for You**

Traffic signal optimization leads to safe and efficient roads by improving traffic flow and minimizing delays during peak hours. This is achieved by coordinating traffic signals along major roads. It's challenging to do this when dealing with two-way streets, big intersections and lots of traffic.

To help maximize traffic signal coordination, intersections can be controlled by a computerized advanced traffic management system.

In April, Halton Regional Council voted to implement a Regional Advanced Traffic Management System. This is a state-of-the-art traffic signal control system that will enable us to coordinate and communicate with Regional traffic signals and improve the performance of the existing road network through monitoring.

Additional benefits of an Advanced Traffic Management System include:

- Allowing more real-time traffic monitoring and traffic signal control region-wide from one central location,
- Implementing real-time strategies to reduce congestion for road users,
- Assisting in providing emergency services,
- Improving traffic and energy efficiency while also reducing carbon emissions from vehicles,



 Providing a safer and more efficient transportation network for everyone.

With Halton Regional Council's approval, staff will now identify priority corridors and intersections based on criteria such as congestion levels, existing technology already at various sites, location readiness with respect to technology changes and the ability to quickly connect to networks and work with each of the local municipalities in Halton.

This system will be rolled out over the next four years and sets the stage for establishing regional roads as Smart Corridors where traffic volumes flow in the safest and most efficient manner.

All of us look forward to traffic improvements over time!

# **More Traffic Calming!**



The Town of Oakville is taking even more steps to ensure the safety of local roads with new traffic calming and pedestrian safety measures.

The town is installing 15 new controlled pedestrian crossovers this year.

A pedestrian crossover is a new type of crossing where drivers and cyclists are required to stop and wait to allow pedestrians to cross the full width of the road before proceeding. Pedestrian crossovers are marked by signs and pavement markings. In some cases, they may also have pedestrian-activated flashing lights. If drivers and cyclists do not yield to pedestrians at a crossover, they will face a fine in the range of \$150 to \$500. Drivers may also lose three demerit points.

Look for new crossovers being installed in Ward 4 in 2018:

- Pine Glen Road at Millstone Park installed this spring
- Colonel William Pkwy at Stocksbridge Ave

- Westoak Trails Boulevard at East Fourteen Mile Creek Trail
- Pilgrims Way at Glen Abbey Trail
- Pilgrims Way at Taplow Creek Trail

The Town also has a traffic calming process to address speeding on local streets where enforcement has not been effective in getting drivers to slow down. The process begins with speed measurement and moves to the use of tools such as changes to line markings, radar speed display signs, speed cushions or other physical changes to the road design depending on the measurement findings. In the case of school zones, the Town has also introduced reduced 40 km/h speed limits.

You may also have seen yellow "Please Slow Down" signs on lawns around town. These signs are gentle reminders by your neighbours that they are concerned about the speed of vehicles in the community and on their street specifically. Please be courteous and keep to the speed limit. The signs can be obtained by contacting either Councillor Allan Elgar or Councillor Peter Longo.

# **Community Safety**

Halton Region continues to be the safest regional municipality of its size in Canada according to Statistics Canada's Crime Severity Index. With that said, residential break and enters do occur. It takes burglars only a few moments to gain access to a home, business or car.

Community safety and well-being is a shared responsibility. We need you to be our eyes and ears on the streets of Oakville. We encourage you to continue to report suspicious activity in a timely manner. Halton Regional Police Service remains committed to strengthening crime prevention strategies, enhancing community policing and safety initiatives, and relentlessly pursuing criminals. Together, we can increase our community safety and sense of well-being.

Here are a few actions you can take to better secure your home:

- Reinforce your front door frame, hinges, locks and strike plates
- Use a door blocker doorstop
- Install security bars on all basement windows
- Install window films on your home's windows
- Close all window coverings when you are not at home
- Lock your home's garage door at all times
- Know your neighbours

Access more tips at www.haltonpolice.ca by searching for "Safety and Security Tips."

To report a crime or in case of emergency, please call 9-1-1.

# Summer Camp 2018 -Recreation and Culture Offerings

The Town of Oakville has a number of fun and exciting summer camp opportunities for children and youth this summer. Camp programs are available for ages 4 – 16 years between July 3rd and August 31st. The program hours are 8:30 am to 4:30 pm and extended hours are available for an additional fee from 7:30 am to 6:00 pm.

Programs at Glen Abbey Community Centre and St. Joan of Arc School:

- Summer Sizzlers for Tots, Age: 4-5
- Summer Sizzlers for Tykes, Age: 6-7
- Summer Sizzler for Juniors, Age: 8-9
- Summer Sizzler for Seniors, Age: 10-12

There are also a number of unique activities across the town. Specialty programs at Queen Elizabeth Park Community and Cultural Centre (QEP) include science camps, sports camps, swimming camps, arts and performing arts camps. Bussing from the Glen Abbey Community Centre to our QEP specialty camp programs is also available for an additional fee.

For additional information on our summer camp programs please visit www.oakville.ca.

# Oakville Improving Active Transportation

The Active Transportation Master Plan (ATMP), which was introduced in 2009 and updated in 2017, is the blueprint for the extensive network for on-road and offroad infrastructure for walking and cycling throughout the Town. Since the development of the original ATMP, the Town has made great progress by implementing over 200 kilometres of bike lanes, pathways and signed bike routes.

As part of the regular review process, there are currently three proposed official plan amendments (OPAs) to update the Town's official plan documents based on the 2017 ATMP update:

- OPA 28 will add a new town-wide map of existing and planned active transportation facilities to the Livable Oakville Plan.
- OPA 319 and OPA 320 will update the policies of the North Oakville East and West Secondary Plans to reference the planned active transportation facilities shown on the new map in the Livable Oakville Plan.

Town Council also approved improvements to a variety of active transportation facilities across Oakville for 2018 which are consistent with the Active Transportation Master Plan. These 2018 projects include 72 kilometres of multi-use trails, on-road bike lanes, signed routes and sharrows. The Town's plan to create a network of facilities includes a variety of both on-road and off-road routes that meet the needs of a variety of active transportation users, ages and skill levels.

# Glen Abbey Golf Course Update

The outcomes of the various appeals against Council's decisions related to Glen Abbey Golf Course are expected in 2019. Council is committed to conserving our community's cultural heritage, and we remain confident in our decisions.

A pre-hearing regarding Council's decision to refuse ClubLink's application to develop Glen Abbey Golf Course into a vast subdivision was held on April 27, 2018. It was handled under the new Local Planning Appeal Tribunal (LPAT), which has replaced the Ontario Municipal Board (OMB). Out of that prehearing conference, a second pre-hearing has been scheduled for November 29 and 30, 2018.

Meanwhile a court hearing was held on July 16 and 17 to determine ClubLink's rights and jurisdiction under the Ontario Heritage Act in connection with its application to remove the golf course in its entirety. We'll post the outcome on our Glen Abbey Information page as soon as it becomes available.

Another court proceeding regarding the legality of the town's Cultural Heritage Landscape Conservation Plan and related heritage and conservation by-laws will be held on September 13 and 14, 2018. We will continue to vigorously defend our decisions regarding ClubLink's development application.

To learn more, visit the town's Glen Abbey Information page: www.oakville.ca/business/glenabbey-information.html.



# **Deerfield Golf Course Update**

Deerfield Golf Course – and the Fourteen Mile Creek lands from Upper Middle Road to Third Line – is officially owned by the Town of Oakville.

The property and the remaining balance of Merton Lands (on the north side of the Queen Elizabeth Way and south of Upper Middle Road, between Bronte Road and Third Line) was purchased from the Province of Ontario for nearly \$16.3 million.

They will continue to be protected recreational open space, neighbourhood parkland, and public green space with vital wildlife corridors and linked natural heritage systems.

The golf course land can only be used to operate a public golf course, together with complementary golf-related uses and municipal uses for sports and fitness related activities while the conservation lands surrounding it have restrictions that would prohibit any development or use other than its current natural state.



# 2018 Roads Resurfacing & Preservation Program - Ward 4

ROAD TO BE RESURFAC
Bridlewood Trail
Dale Ridge Drive
Fieldcrest Lane
Fieldstone Circle
Glenridge Drive
Leewood Drive
Lindsay Drive
North Service Road West
Nottinghill Gate

### **FROM** Glenridge Drive Ridge Landing Fieldstone Circle Abbeywood Drive Abbeywood Drive **Dorval Drive** Leewood Drive 140 m West of Third Line Old Abbey Lane **Bridlewood Trail**

TO TO
End
Westoak Trails Boulevard
East limit 1372 Fieldcrest Lane
End
Bridlewood Trail
Lindsay Drive
North Service Road West
1,090 m West of Third Line
Pilgrims Way
Abbeywood Drive
Westoak Trails Boulevard

### PEDESTRIAN CROSSOVER LOCATIONS (PXO)

### **STREET** Colonel Willian Parkway

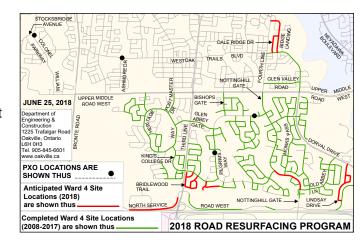
Paperbirch Lane Ridge Landing

### Westoak Trails Boulevard Pilgrims Way Pilgrims Way

### **LOCATION**

at Stockbridge Avenue 30 m (approx) east of Ashmore Drive 70 m (approx) west of Aldercrest Court 40 m (approx) north of Cottonwood Crescent

Fourth Line

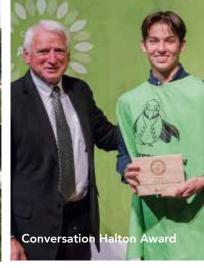


### **Development Update**

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APPLICATION FILE NUMBER	LOCATION	PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT	STATUS	CONTACT IN PLANNING DEPARTMEN
Lazy Pat Farms Property - bcIMC Realty Corp Z.11001/1333	Dundas Street West, between Tremaine Rd. and Regional Road 25	Zoning Amendment Application and Draft Plan of Subdivision Application to permit an industrial Plan of subdivision	Application is currently in circulation and under review.	Robert Thun 905-845-6601, ext. 3029 905-845-6601, ext. 3029
Oakville Green Development Inc. Z.1325.06 and 24T-15005/1325	Northeast corner of Dundas Street West and Third Line	Official Plan Amendment, Zoning By-law Amendment and Draft Plan of Subdivision to permit the development of a Health Sciences and Technology District containing a mix of employmen institutional, commercial and residential uses, with building heights up to 30 storeys.	Application is currently in circulation and under review. Public Meeting date to be determined. t,	Paul Barrette 905-845-6601 ext. 3041 paul.barrette@oakville.ca
Infrastructure Ontario 2.1326.05 and 24T-18004/1326	North of William Halton Parkway between the future Hospital Gat extension and ErinoakKids.			Paul Barrette 905-845-6601 ext. 3041 paul.barrette@oakville.ca
Halton Region Z. 1527.09	2115 and 2195 North Service Road West (west of Mid-Halton Wastewater Treatment Plan)	Zoning By-law Amendment to permit a public works yard / outside storage related to the operation and maintenance of the Region's water and wastewater systems.	Application is currently in circulation and under review. Public Meeting date to be determined.	Paul Barrette 905-845-6601 ext. 3041 paul.barrette@oakville.ca
Matam Holdings Inc CDM 18003/1424	1388 Dundas Street West	Draft Plan of Vacant Land Condominium to permit the development of the site for 16 single detached dwelling units on a private condominium road.	Application is currently in circulation and under review.	Robert Thun 905-845-6601, ext. 3029 rob.thun@oakville.ca
Hilton Hotel OPA.1517.18, Z.1517.18	170 North Service Road West (SW corner North Service Road and QEW)	Official Plan Amendment and Zoning By-law Amendment to permit a 7 storey, 114 room hotel with a number of amenities and services for guests, including a lobby, fitness centre, breakfast area with outdoor patio, and indoor pool.	Application is currently in circulation and under review.	Melissa Dalrymple 905-845-6601, ext. 3287 melissa.dalrymple@oakville.ca







# Allan and Peter in the Community







