



Arran-Elderslie Municipal Newsletter

Fall 2020

Mayors Message

It is hard to believe how fast fall is upon us and with the change in seasons, we also have kids starting back in school. This is a great time to remind everyone to be extra careful and make sure we slow down on our roads. Entering and exiting towns and villages is especially important and can be forgotten with everything else on our minds right now. Several of our residents have invested in lawn signs to help with awareness and should be thanked for their efforts. Arran Elderslie's council is encouraged by Bruce County's traffic calming measures in Invermay and will implement similar measures in our community, this fall.

Please stay safe and vigilant as we get through this pandemic together

Steve Hammell
Mayor of Arran-Elderslie

Leaf Collection Days

Two pickup days for leaves and compost are scheduled for Chesley, Paisley and Tara. Please place your leaves and compost out on October 27th & November 10th for pickup.

Chesley Landfill

The Chesley Landfill is open every Saturday from 8 a.m. to 12 noon in the months of October and November. No residential garbage is permitted. Only unpainted wood, tires, brush and metal will be accepted at this location. There is no charge for wood and brush at the Chesley Landfill.

Taxes

Final Tax bills were mailed out in July.

Due dates: August 26th & October 26th

We offer a number of methods for you to pay your property taxes.

You can pay your taxes by mail, dropping off your payment at the Municipal Office, setting up internet or telephone banking with the Municipality of Arran-Elderslie as a payee, or by preauthorized monthly or installment payments for property taxes or Paisley water and sewer payments. Please note a receipt will not be sent in the mail unless you include a self-addressed stamped envelope. Payment options are also included on the back of your tax bill.

did you know?

Municipal Office

Please note that the Municipal Office in Chesley is currently closed due to COVID-19 restrictions. There are drop-off boxes for you to drop off documents or payments inside the front door. You will not be able to enter the office. Staff can still be reached by telephone or email and are still committed to offering great service.

Road Construction

Chesley

The County of Bruce in partnership with the Municipality of Arran-Elderslie Public Works Department is beginning construction on 1st Ave N in Chesley starting August 31st with a completion date of October 30, 2020. The project will take place between 2nd St. NE. and 4th Street N and will consist of new water and sanitary mains, water and sewer services, storm sewer, sidewalk, and asphalt replacement. The road profile and parking in the area will also change slightly. 2nd St NE and 2nd Ave NE will become a detour route for automobile traffic. Please note that the Chesley downtown business are still open and you can follow this detour to the downtown to support our local businesses.

Paisley

The Municipality of Arran-Elderslie Public Works Department is beginning construction on Nelson Street in Paisley in August and September 2020. The project will take place between Inkerman and Alma Street and will consist of a new water main installation on the West side of the road, as well as removal of storm sewer to install ditching along both sides of the road. The road profile will also change significantly, as the road will be straightened and the width increased as well.

Burn Permits

You must apply for an open-air burn permit for agricultural and recreational fires. The permit is valid for one calendar year. You can fill out the form online on the Municipal website or obtain a paper copy at the Municipal office.

If you have submitted a permit online and included an email address, you will receive your permit number by email which approves your permit request. If you submit a permit request using a paper form or do not include your email address, you must call the Municipal office to obtain your permit number.

Dog Tag Application Info

All dogs must be registered in the Municipality of Arran-Elderslie. A dog tag must be attached to the dog's collar at all times. If you get a new dog please call the Municipal Office to register your dog and to purchase a tag. It is your responsibility to notify the office if there is any change to your pet's information, you are moving out of the Municipality, or you no longer have a dog. You can pay for your dog tag fee by cash, cheque or through online banking. For information on how to pay using online banking, visit our website under 'Animal Services'

Arena Board Advertising

Anyone wishing to advertise or cancel their current advertising on the Arena Boards is asked to contact Katrina at 519-363-3039 ex 117, prior to the start of the ice season.

Compost Bins in Paisley

There are compost bins in Paisley located at the water tower. Please do not place garbage in these compost bins. These bins will be taken away if abused.

Recreation Master Plan

The Municipality is undertaking a Recreation Master Plan process to create a multi-year strategy for recreation, facilities and leisure services. This process will involve community involvement in many ways including a community forum and public survey to ensure that residents have an opportunity to voice their thoughts on recreation services within the Municipality. Visit our website or Facebook page for updates. For more information, contact Carly at recreation@arran-elderslie.ca

Blood Donor Clinic

Blood Donor Clinic at the Chesley Community Centre on September 4th 2020. **Give the gift of life.**

Ice Time Available

Contact us early if you are looking for ice times in Paisley, Tara or Chesley for the upcoming season. Limited times are available. Book early!

Online Building Permits

You can now submit and manage your building permits online. Find the link on the Arran-Elderslie website under the 'Building and Renovating' page. You can also download a step by step guide for applying to permits online.

Our Building department works with builders and owners to ensure building codes are met to make sure that every structure built in Arran-Elderslie is built safely. A building permit must be obtained prior to any new structure, addition or renovation. [You can apply for a permit online.](#)

Need Help? [Download a Step-by-Step illustrated guide](#) to apply for a building permit.

Frequently Asked Questions

+ Where do I start?

- How do I obtain a permit?

1. Complete an Application for a Permit to Construct or Demolish or pick up a paper copy at the Municipal Office
2. Include the following documents:
 - A site plan
 - A lot grading and drainage plan (where applicable)
 - Plans and specifications (digital or paper)
3. Submit your completed paper application to the Municipal Office

OR

Submit your completed permit through [Arran-Elderslie Online E-Permitting](#) at the online kiosk at the Municipal Office

OR

Submit your completed permit through [Arran-Elderslie Online E-Permitting](#) on your home computer. Need Help? [Download a Step-by-Step illustrated guide](#) to apply for a building permit.

Drop-In Programs

Unfortunately, due to Covid 19 restrictions, there will be no drop in programming available at this time. All programs must be registered for in advance. Attendance will be taken each week.

Cost for programs will remain as they were at \$2 per visit, and you can show up as often or as little as you like.

Program start dates will be determined, and all registrants will be contacted with the information. To preregister for any of the following programs, please email programs@arran-elderslie.ca or call 226-974-0156 before September 18th.

- Tai chi (Chesley)
- Morning fitness (Chesley)
- Walking group, (Chesley, Paisley, Tara)
- Carpet Bowling (Chesley, Paisley)

Paisley Bridge Public Meeting

The County of Bruce is planning to replace the bridge spanning the Teeswater River in central Paisley on Bruce Road 3. The bridge was constructed in 1935 and has reached the end of its service life. The new crossing will be constructed in the same location as the existing and be designed to accommodate flooding events in the Saugeen and Teeswater Rivers.

As part of the Class EA process, residents will have an opportunity to provide input on design features associated with the bridge including, sidewalk width, railing style, etc. **A Public Meeting is being organized for September 22, 2020 from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m., to allow residents an opportunity to review current study progress and to provide additional input on the project.**

Due to Covid19 concerns, the meeting is being held virtually. Presentation material will be posted on the project website at www.paisleybridgestudy.ca as of September 14, 2020 to allow residents an opportunity to review the material in advance. Representatives from the County of Bruce and the project engineers, will be present at the meeting to answer questions. Please contact Lisa Courtney at lcourtney@bmross.net or (888)-524-2641 x-238 to register for participation in the meeting.

Virtual Community Information Session

Chesley Emergency Department – Update on Reduced Hours of Operation

Wednesday, September 9 @ 6:30 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 or

(519) 370-2400 ext. 2214

