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Arran-Elderslie Appoints New Manager of Facilities, Parks and Recreation

CHESLEY, ON: The Municipality of Arran-Elderslie is pleased to announce the appointment of Joel McAllister as the new Manager of Facilities, Parks and Recreation, effective January 13, 2026.

Joel will be familiar to residents across Arran-Elderslie, having been a valued member of the Recreation Department for the past 14 years. Throughout his tenure, he has built strong relationships within the community and demonstrated a deep commitment to maintaining welcoming, accessible, and well-managed recreational spaces.

Over the past several months, Joel has served in an acting capacity, where he has shown strong leadership, operational expertise, and a passion for enhancing municipal recreation services. Council and staff are confident that Joel's experience, enthusiasm, and community-focused approach make him an excellent fit for this role.

Mayor Hammell stated "I'm very pleased to congratulate Joel McAllister on his appointment. Promoting from within strengthens our team and benefits our residents, and Joel's deep knowledge of our facilities and community makes this an excellent fit. We're excited to see him continue his leadership in this new role."

"I'm honored to continue serving Arran-Elderslie as Manager of Facilities, Parks, and Recreation. My goal is to enhance our community spaces—whether it's improving facilities, expanding recreational programming, upgrading sports fields, or preserving our beautiful green spaces. I look forward to working with our team and residents to create opportunities that bring people together and make our municipality an even better place to live and play."

Arran-Elderslie provides community centres with arenas in Chesley, Paisley, and Tara, as well as numerous parks and outdoor sports fields throughout the municipality.

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Photo: Joel McAllister, Manager of Facilities, Parks, and Recreation for The Municipality of Arran-Elderslie at the Chesley Arena.



