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## OPERATIONAL IMPACTS

### Tottenham Conservation Area:

The Tottenham Conservation Area is now opened with a limited number of overnight serviced site camping and day use visits. Serviced sites will be available for bookings after July 6th, 2020. Visit [newtecumseth.ca](http://newtecumseth.ca) for details on COVID19 restrictions within the conservation area. Book today to guarantee your weekend getaway: <https://www.newtecumseth.ca/en/parks-recreation-and-culture/tottenham-conservation-area.aspx>. Following provincial health directives, washroom facilities will be opened, however, shower facilities will not be.

**Please note a limited number of sites will be available for the 2020 season to ensure physical distancing is maintained. It is recommended that you prebook your site in advance.**

Those wishing to swim and use the beach area at the Tottenham Conservation Area are now permitted to do so. Beach areas are not supervised.

You can find [pavilions](#) to use for shelter and picnics. [Rent the pavilions](#) if you would like to organize a family reunion, anniversary, business retreat or other private gathering. There are three to choose from, including an open pavilion near the beach or a secluded pavilion. Pavilions are available for rental during day use hours of operation.

**Please note during the 2020 camping season pavilion rentals will be restricted to groups of less than 10 persons as per COVID-19 provincial guidelines.**

All users of TCA and any and all permitted outdoor recreation amenities, **must follow all health protocols** which include maintaining physical distancing of at least 2.0 metres (6 feet), wash and/or sanitize hands frequently and staying home when ill.

## CUSTOMER SERVICE UPDATES

### CONTACT US:

You can continue to do business with the Town on our website at [www.newtecumseth.ca](http://www.newtecumseth.ca), or by phone at 705-435-3900 or 905-729-0057 (Monday through Friday 8:30am to 4:30pm) or by email at [info@newtecumseth.ca](mailto:info@newtecumseth.ca). For recreation related questions, please call our Parks, Recreation and Culture team at 705-435-4030 ext. 1500 or 905-936-4203 ext. 1621 or by email [recreation@newtecumseth.ca](mailto:recreation@newtecumseth.ca). For the most up-to-date impacts and information on Town services, subscribe to our webpage at [www.newtecumseth.ca/COVID19](http://www.newtecumseth.ca/COVID19).

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KEY MESSAGES

**Assessment:** The Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit advises that people should be monitoring their health and if you have even one or two of the symptoms you should be screened. The SMDHU have a [self-assessment tool](#) on its [website](#) and a list of assessment centres and hours on its COVID-19 page.

**Physical distancing and health tips:** Residents must continue to follow all health directives including maintaining safe physical distancing of at least two metres (six feet) apart from others - as per the Provincial Order. This includes no congregating and adhering to all COVID-19 Public Health and Provincial regulations regarding gathering of people. Please ensure you practice frequent hand washing and/or sanitizing, avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth with unwashed hands and stay home when you are not feeling well.

**Please visit the Town’s website at [www.newtecumseth.ca/COVID19](http://www.newtecumseth.ca/COVID19) for the latest local information and be sure to subscribe to the page to automatically receive updates.**

ENFORCEMENT DETAILS

New Tecumseth By-law Enforcement Officers are assisting the Nottawasaga OPP to enforce the Province’s COVID-19 Orders by doing proactive patrols and partnering with the OPP to educate residents and working with the Nottawasaga OPP where Police intervention may be warranted. Charges may be laid for violations of the Province’s Orders in two ways. People not abiding by the Provincial Orders may receive a ticket with a set fine between \$750 to \$1000 dollars per charge. Alternatively, Officers may lay a charge by way of a summons in which case the fine and penalties are potentially more severe, ranging from up to \$100,000 for individuals, \$500,000 for Directors or Officers of a corporation and up to \$10,000,000 for a corporation. In addition, offenders may be subject to up to one-year imprisonment.

Date	Number of Questions or Concerns Received (Email/Phone)	Number of Education Occurrences (times Officer spoke to public during patrols*).	Number of Charges Issued Pt.1 or Pt.3	Number of Warnings Issued
March By-law	3	0	0	0
March OPP	0	0**	0	0
April By-law	64	32	0	0
April OPP***	35	35**	1	17
May By-law	40	13****	0	0
May OPP	12	18**	0	1
June 1-3 By-law	9	0	0	0

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June 1-3 OPP	5	2**	0	1
June 4-7 By-law	3	0	0	0
June 4-7 OPP	0	0**	0	0
June 8-10 By-law	9	0	0	0
June 8-10 OPP	0	0**	0	0
June 11-14 By-law	7	0	0	0
June 11-14 OPP	0	0**	0	0
June 15-17 By-law	1	0	0	0
June 15-17 OPP	0	0**	0	0
June 18-21 By-law	2	0	0	0
June 18-21 OPP	1	1**	0	0
June 22-24 By-law	4	0	0	0
June 22-24 OPP	1	0**	0	0
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>196</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>19</b>

\*By-law Patrols are occurring 7 days/week 9am-4pm approximately. \*\* This number only represents the total number of OPP patrols conducted.\*\*\* OPP Officers have been instructed to patrol grocery stores to increase Community/visible presence.

\*\*\*\* 2 of these 3 calls have been related to the opening of a non-essential business.

**Garage/yard sales:** Garage/yard sales are now allowed in New Tecumseth, however there is a limit on the number of people allowed at public gatherings and events, which applies to garage/yard sales. As per the Province's Emergency Order, public gatherings and events are currently limited to 10 people.

If you are organizing a yard sale at your home, the Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit advises to limit gathering on the retail space (driveway, yard) to 10 people. Post signs to indicate the 10 person limit, have hand sanitizer available, and do not attend/host yard/garage sales if you have COVID-19, are unwell, or have been in close contact with someone who has COVID-19. For more details on how to handle and exchange second-hand goods, please visit [www.newtecumseth.ca/COVID19](http://www.newtecumseth.ca/COVID19)

## RECOVERY PLANNING FOR TOWN OPERATIONS

The Town continues planning the next phase of its response including recovery and re-establishment of services. Town facilities remain closed to the public and the majority of employees of the Town Administration Centre (including the Building Department) and the Joint Operations Centre until at least start of business on **July 13, 2020**. The Town's Emergency Control Group continues to plan and review when and how additional staff will be able to safely return to their office work spaces and the safety measures/logistics that would be put in place.

## RELIABLE SOURCES OF INFORMATION

### [Town of New Tecumseth](#)

For up to date information, visit [newtecumseth.ca/COVID19](http://newtecumseth.ca/COVID19)

The Town's **Economic Development Office** is gathering important information and resources to assist local businesses and their employees in responding to the economic impacts of COVID-19.

### [County of Simcoe](#)

For COVID19 service updates, visit [simcoe.ca/Coronavirus](http://simcoe.ca/Coronavirus)

### [Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit](#)

For the most up-to-date local information, visit the **[Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit website](#)**.

### [Stevenson Memorial Hospital](#)

For the latest news from Stevenson Memorial Hospital, please visit their website at: <http://www.stevensonhospital.ca/index.html>

### [Province of Ontario](#)

The Province of **Ontario's Action Plan** will provide **support for people and businesses** through tax credits and deferrals to improve their cash flow, **protecting jobs and household budgets**, while providing the resources necessary to protect their health.

### [Government of Canada](#)

The Government of **Canada's COVID-19 Economic Response Plan** includes a wide range of measures to **support for Canadian individuals and families** who are facing financial hardship as a result of the pandemic.