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Subject: Trent Lakes COVID-19 - Declaration of Emergency

The Municipality of Trent Lakes has declared a state of emergency effective, Tuesday March 24, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. due to the increasing impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic and the need for people to take necessary precautions.

On March 17, 2020 the Province of Ontario declared a State of Emergency for the entire Province along with numerous other municipalities that have declared local states of emergency. The Municipal Control Group has been meeting regularly to monitor the situation. Information will be communicated as it becomes available to us. The Municipality will continue to communicate all information by means of our website, twitter page and facebook.

The declaration of an emergency is available to municipalities under the Provincial Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act. It may provide access to provincial funding for actions related to the emergency and relief, should funding become available.

For questions about COVID-19, people are encouraged to refer to health officials for up-to-date, reliable information. Peterborough Public Health provides information and links to provincial and federal resources at peterboroughpublichealth.ca.

The situation is evolving. New decisions may be made affecting municipal services and facilities. For an up-to-date list of affected municipal services and facilities, please visit www.trentlakes.ca.