



2019 Fall Newsletter



West Perth Project Updates

North End/Henry St. Bridge

On May 21, 2019 Council awarded the tender for the construction of the North End/Henry Street Bridge. This new bridge will provide an important additional river crossing for the north part of Mitchell. The new bridge will improve local traffic movement and extend the useful life of the Huron Road/Ontario Road bridge. The new crossing also allows for the looping of water services and nature trail. To assist with dewatering for the installation of piers and other construction preparations, the water level was not raised in the reservoir. Construction is set to begin in late August with an expected completion date of November 2020. Follow the project at [Your Say West Perth](#).

Keterson Park Master Plan

On June 17, 2019 West Perth Council adopted the Keterson Park Master Plan.

The Keterson Park Master Plan was initiated to develop a plan for Keterson Park and provide a strategic guidance for the use of the park space, the arrangement of facilities and capital planning for new or re-developed facilities.

This plan could not have been completed without the thoughtful feedback the Municipality received through meetings with Keterson Park user groups, a public meeting and [Your Say West Perth](#).

To see the Keterson Park Master Plan [visit our Strategies and Plans page](#).

Recreation and Leisure Master Plan

On June 17, 2019 the Recreation and Facilities Manager presented an update on the progress made on West Perth's Recreation and Leisure Master Plan. [The report](#) highlighted accomplishments to date as an outcome of the 56 recommendations coming out of the Recreation and Leisure Master Plan.

To see the report or to view the Recreation and Leisure Master Plan [visit our Strategies and Plans page](#).

The Official Plan (OP) is a strategic planning document that guides the long-term vision for the growth and development of the communities within Perth County including the Municipalities of North Perth, and West Perth, and the Townships of Perth East and Perth South. The OP update includes the preparation of background reports on topics such as residential and job growth and the Perth Natural Heritage Systems Study to assist in setting OP policies.

To receive updates on the OP and have your say on upcoming public consultation visit [Your Say Perth County](#).

Weed (Noxious) Control

The Municipality of West Perth uses the Perth County Weed Inspector to investigate and spray any noxious weeds reported on municipal or county land, including road allowances.

Roadside herbicide spraying will be completed yearly in the months of May and June. The herbicide will selectively kill weeds but not the grasses and is approved for use on roadsides under the public works exemption of the cosmetic pesticide ban.

Property owners who do not want the unmaintained ditch in front of their property sprayed can contact the Operations Manager or posting a "no spray sign" at the start and finish of their property.

For more information visit our [Weed Control page](#) on the West Perth website.

Final Tax Installment Due Dates

August 30th and November 29th, 2019

Accepted Tax Payments include:

- In Person 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
- After Hours Drop Box (Cheques Only)
- By Mail, P.O. Box 609, Mitchell ON, N0K 1N0
- Pre-Authorized Payment ([Form on website](#))
- Telephone/Internet Banking & Teller/ABM Payments

Payment must be received at the Municipal Office on or before the due date. Penalty charges of 1.25% will be applied on any amount of non-payment after the due date as per the Municipal Act.

Have Your Say

Have you visited our engagement website?

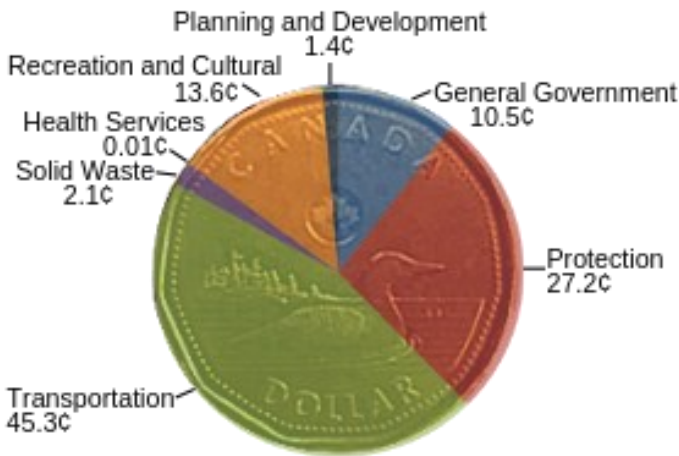
Check it out at www.yoursaywestperth.ca.

This platform is used to get feedback from the community for different projects happening in the Municipality. We encourage you to share your suggestions for West Perth with us anytime through our [ideas project](#).

Tax Dollar Breakdown

Your property tax bill is comprised of taxes levied by the Municipality, the County of Perth and the Provincial education levies. Based on a sample home assessed at \$300,000.00 the total taxes payable will be \$3,052.52, broken down as follows:

Education Levy: \$483.00
County Levy: \$785.68
Local Levy: \$1783.84



West Perth Public Library

Used Book Sale

Visit the Library during the weeks of August 26th to 31st and September 3rd to 7th during regular hours and pick-up some great bargains in books, audio books and DVDs. Pay by donation. Donations support Library Operations.

Preschooler Drop-in Program

Our Preschooler Drop-in Program resumes on Thursday September 12th at 10:30 a.m. Join DeAnna for stories, songs, crafts and meet some new friends.

Perth County Information Network (PCIN) Van

If every West Perth Public Library Patron contributed just \$3, the library would have enough money to purchase their share of the delivery van that would serve the PCIN. Donations can be made at the Library or Municipal office.

For more information call 519-348-9235, send an email to wpl@pcin.on.ca or visit our website www.westperth.library.on.ca.

Simplify your Tax and Water Bills

Never misplace another water or tax bill again by signing up for e-billing! Fill out the form on the Municipal website under [taxes](#), [water and sewage](#) or pick up a form at the Municipal Office.

Make paying your bills even easier! Begin pre-authorized payments for set-it and forget-it convenience. Fill out the form on the Municipal website under [taxes](#), [water and sewage](#) or pick up a form at the Municipal Office.

Contractor Authorization Policy

Having work done at your property by a contractor whose business is located outside West Perth? You'll need to fill out our [Contractor Authorization Form](#).

The Mitchell Domestic Landfill is only for the disposal of waste generated within the Municipality of West Perth. The [Contractor Authorization Policy](#) establishes guidelines for contractors whose business address is located outside West Perth. You can pick up the form from the Municipal Office or online under our Landfill tab on the [Garbage, Recycling and Waste page](#).

Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC)

Every four years, MPAC updates the assessment for every property in the province. The next province-wide assessment will occur in 2020. In between assessment updates, MPAC maintains our records when one or more of the following happens: there is a physical change to the property such as a building addition, ownership changes or a classification change occurs. If MPAC makes an update to your property, they will send you a Notice of Change of Assessment and send a copy to the municipality.

If you have questions about your property assessment, visit mpac.ca or AboutMyProperty.ca. You will need your most recent Assessment Notice that includes your roll number and a personalized access key to register.

MPAC Customer Contact Centre:

Toll Free 1-866-296-6722. Monday to Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Read if you own or purchased a farm!

If you have recently purchased a farm, please contact OMAFRA and include the newly purchased property on your Farm Business Registration Number application. Loss of the Farmland Tax Classification could result in an increase of 75% on your final property tax bill. Be proactive and don't miss any application deadlines.

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