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Credit Valley Conservation is advising residents to take caution around bodies of water due to fast-moving water and rising water levels.

BE CAUTIOUS **AROUND BODIES** OF WATER THIS **SPRING**

Credit Valley Conservation is reminding people to be cautious near streams, rivers, ponds and lakes.

Halton received higher than normal snowfall in January and February, as well as periods of milder weather, resulting in increased water levels and the breakup of ice cover on bodies of water. Warmer temperatures will further contribute to the melting of remaining snow and ice cover.

These conditions, combined with spring rainfall and frozen ground, can lead to higher and faster flowing water. Slipperv and unstable banks and cold water temperatures create dangerous conditions close to bodies of water. Remaining ice cover is also weakened.

Safety and flooding risks will continue for several weeks.

Conservation Halton recommends:

- Keeping family and pets away from the edges of all bodies of water
- · Avoiding recreational activities in or around water, especially near ice jams or ice-covered watercourses or waterbodies, including municipal stormwater ponds
- · Never attempting to walk on ice-covered bodies of water or drive through flooded roads or fast-moving water
- If you see someone has fallen through the ice, call 911 immediately
- If you live close to water, move objects such as chairs or benches away from the water's edge to avoid losing them during a potential rise in water level
- Avoiding walking close to and across riverbanks and ice-covered water to prevent falling through

Notice of Statutory Public Meeting: Community Improvement Plan (CIP) Update





Monday, April 11, 2022 at 6 p.m. via Zoom virtual meeting

To join the virtual meeting, use one of the following methods and a staff member will admit you when the item is being discussed.

Enter Zoom ID **831 0785 0476** in the Zoom app OR call **647-374-4685**

The Town of Halton Hills is undertaking a comprehensive review and update of its Community Improvement Plan (CIP). The CIP is a tool of the Planning Act to encourage, accelerate and facilitate desirable revitalization and redevelopment that has clear public interest goals. The Town's existing CIP has been in place since 2010, and over a decade later, an update is required to ensure its continued use as a modern and effective economic development tool that is aligned with key strategies, goals and plans.

Please note: the Council Meeting will commence at 6 p.m. but there may be other preceding items which could impact the 6 p.m. start time for this Public Meeting. Please consult the Council agenda available online the Friday before the Monday meeting.

The purpose of this project is to:

- Tailor incentive programs that are responsive to local needs and maximize community benefits;
- Leverage strengths of the existing CIP while advancing multiple town priorities; and,
- Support existing businesses, their growth and job retention.

To date the study has achieved the following milestones:

- A Background Discussion Report, prepared by Sierra Planning and Management approved by Council on July 5, 2021;
- Extensive public engagement including consultation with internal and external stakeholder committees, subject matter experts, focus groups, and online engagement via Let's Talk Halton Hills
- A Directions Report for the draft CIP approved by Council on February 7, 2022; and
- The Draft CIP, prepared by Sierra Planning and Management.

The purpose of the Public Meeting is to:

- Provide background information on the project to date;
- Present an overview of the Draft CIP along with next steps for the project; and,
- Solicit public input on the Draft CIP for consideration into the Final CIP that will be presented to Council.

Additional information about the CIP update is available at letstalkhaltonhills.ca/community-improvement-plan or can be obtained by contacting Nicole Pal at 905-873-2600, ext. 2975 or via email at npal@haltonhills.ca. A copy of the related Staff Report will be available on Friday, April 8, 2022, on the Town's website at calendar.haltonhills.ca/meetings.