

### Town encouraging responsible pet ownership, amidst complaints and reports

The Town of Halton Hills has put out the word that it is encouraging residents to be responsible pet owners, this after a number of complaints have been received by Town staff.

Some of the complaints the Town has received from residents include reports of unleashed canines and barking dogs. Such complaints have now prompted the Town to set up messaging about responsible pet ownership, according to Susie Spry, Manager of Enforcement services.

“We know our residents love their pets and we want to support them. One of the ways we do this is for dog owners to get a dog license which is mandatory under the Town’s Responsible Pet Owners By-law 94-077. This makes it easier to reunite you with your pet in the event your dog goes missing.”

Dog licenses can be obtained through the Town’s website or in person at the Halton Hills Town Hall at 1 Halton Hills Drive.

In addition to getting a dog license, the Town recommends that dog owners, who wish to let fido run unleashed, to do so responsibly at the Town’s three designated off-leash dog parks.

Those off-leash park locations include:

- Prospect Park, Acton
- Cedarvale Park, Georgetown
- Trafalgar Sports Park, Esquesing

“We all want the best for our pets,” says Mayor Ann Lawlor. “And that means adher-

ing to the by-laws that are in place to limit issues while allowing our four-legged friends to run and play.”

If you happen to see a dog running loose, you can call Omega Canine Control, 24-hour emergency service at 905-877-6235, or if you are concerned about the welfare of an animal, you can contact Animal Protection at 1-833-926-4625. Further information on responsible pet ownership can be found at haltonhills.ca.



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