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Mayor hosts meeting on town and gown issues at Laurier

Waterloo (April 22) — The heads of local government, the region's post-secondary institutions, and their student groups will meet to discuss "town and gown" issues at Wilfrid Laurier University on Monday, April 26.

Discussions on issues of common interest will range from neighborhood relations to financial matters, the co-ordination of institutional and municipal planning, and initiatives for building awareness of training and cultural programs.

The event is being hosted by Waterloo Mayor Brian Turnbull. Other participants will include: Ken Seiling, chair of Waterloo Region; Dom Cardillo, mayor of Kitchener; Lorna Marsden, president of WLU; James Downey, president of the University of Waterloo; John Tibbits, president of Conestoga College; Christina Craft, president of Laurier's student union; Dave Martin, president of the federation of students at UW; and a representative of the student association at the college.

"The universities and colleges have a long tradition of active involvement in the community and of working together with local government," says Marsden.

"This meeting represents an even greater effort to further that co-operation," she adds. "It is especially important today."

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Note: An agenda accompanies this news release.

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Town and Gown Meeting

**Monday, April 26
Paul Martin Centre
Wilfrid Laurier University**

- 8:30 a.m. Informal reception, refreshments
- 9:00 a.m. Welcome, Dr. Lorna Marsden
- 9:05 a.m. Introduction of Representatives, Mayor Brian Turnbull
- 9:10 a.m. Background of Town and Gown, Mayor Brian Turnbull
- 9:20 a.m. Opening Perspectives on Town and Gown:

Ken Seiling, Chair, Region of Waterloo
Dominic Cardillo, Mayor, City of Kitchener
Lorna Marsden, President, Wilfrid Laurier University
John Tibbits, President, Conestoga College
James Downey, President, University of Waterloo
Christina Craft, President of the Students' Union, Wilfrid Laurier University
Dave Martin, President of the Federation of Students, University of Waterloo
Representative, Student Association, Conestoga College
Brian Turnbull, Mayor, City of Waterloo
- 10:30 a.m. Discussion:
- Neighbourhood Relations
 - Economic Impact/Financial Issues
 - Institutional/Regional Issues
 - Joint Initiatives — Training and Cultural Information/Awareness
 - Student/Community Relations
 - Institutional/City/Regional Planning Co-ordination
- 12:00 p.m. Conclusions and Recommendations for Action

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