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**Town website back up**  
 If you've been trying to get information on the town's website most of this week, you were out of luck.  
 It was out of commission for almost the whole week, due to coding problems.  
 However, instead of spending money to fix the

site, the town decided to go ahead with installing a new website recently designed by the Raven-shoe Group.  
 The new website was up and running yesterday afternoon.  
 For information on the town, departments, events and for council agendas, log on to [www.townofws.com](http://www.townofws.com)

# 'Early' signs OK on regional roads

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If Oct. 19 was the first day candidates could put up their election signs in Whitchurch-Stouffville, why were some spotted by residents on local roadways a couple of weeks earlier than this?

It's perfectly OK, Andrew Brouwer, the town's deputy clerk said.

Those signs were on regional roads.

The region recently changed the rules to allow election signs on its roads six weeks ahead of the Nov. 13 election date.

It gets confusing when some roads, such as Stouffville Road, have some stretches that are under regional jurisdiction, while other areas are governed by the municipality.

For instance, Main Street in downtown Stouffville between Hwy. 48 and the

York-Durham town line is under the municipality's jurisdiction, but Stouffville Road west of Hwy. 48 is under the region's jurisdiction.

All candidates were informed about the sign bylaws and only one resident phoned for clarification on when the election signs could be put up, Mr. Brouwer said.

When it comes to which rules to follow, they are usually those of the higher governing body.

That means Whitchurch-Stouffville's bylaw that signs can't go up before Oct. 19 don't apply to regional roads.

Clarification was requested at Tuesday's council meeting, the final one for the current council.

For more on the election, go to [yorkregion.com](http://yorkregion.com) or [townofws.com/election](http://townofws.com/election)

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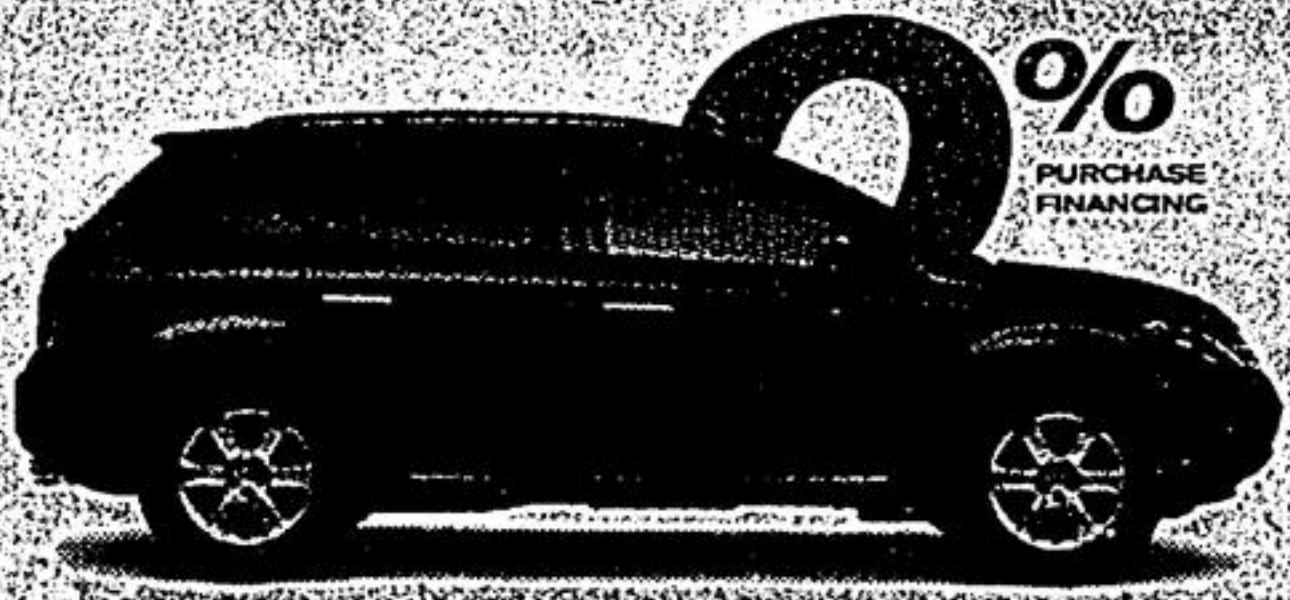
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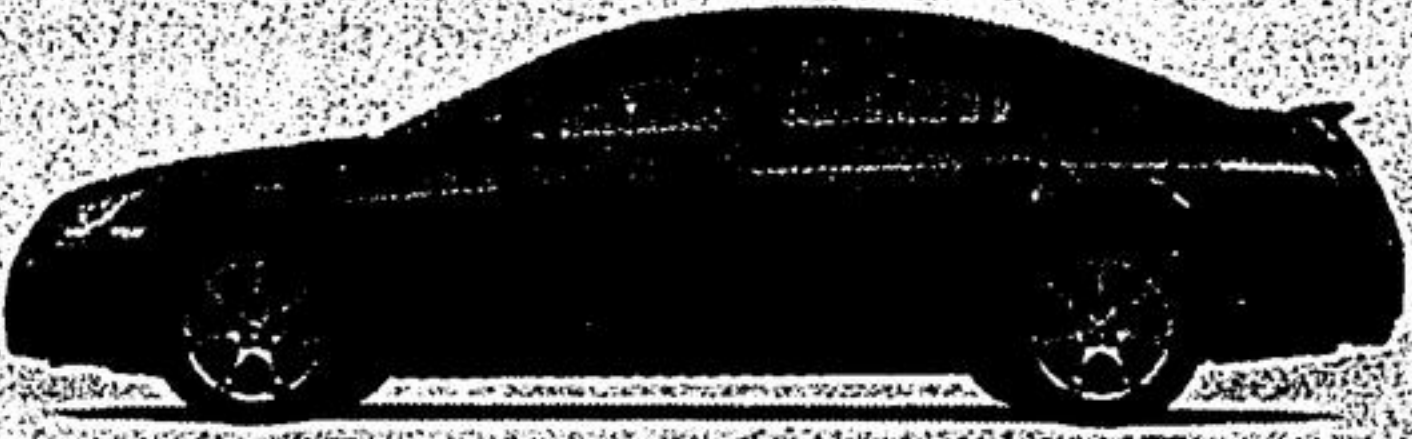
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## Advance polls open next weekend

If you can't make it out to the polls to mark your X on voting day, Nov. 13, there are plenty of advance polls you can attend instead.

You can make changes to your information on the voters list on those days as well.

Advance polls are on the following dates:

- Saturday, Oct. 28 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the Ballantrae Fire Hall, 15400 Hwy. 48, north of Aurora Road.
- Saturday, Nov. 4 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the Whitchurch-Stouffville council chambers, 4th floor, 37 Sandiford Dr. in Stouffville
- Monday, Nov. 6 from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. in the council chambers
- Tuesday, Nov. 7, 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Lebovic Leisure Centre, 30 Burkholder St. in Stouffville
- Wednesday, Nov. 8, from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. in the council chambers

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