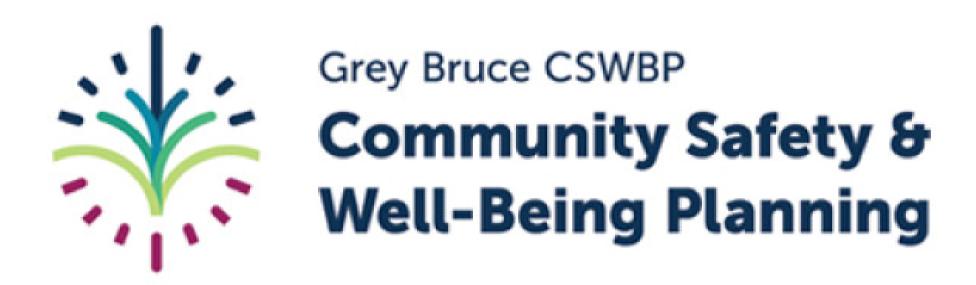




Community Safety and Well-Being Planning Recruiting Members of the Public for Crime Prevention Action Table

Community Safety and Well-Being Planning (CSWBP) Bruce-Grey is recruiting participants for an action table focusing on crime prevention. This will bring together interested members of the public with representatives from local police services, municipalities, businesses, educational organizations, and other community agencies.



December 14, 2022

Bruce County & Grey County: Community Safety and Well-Being Planning (CSWBP) Bruce-Grey is recruiting participants for an action table focusing on crime prevention. This will bring together interested members of the public with representatives from local police services, municipalities, businesses, educational organizations, and other community agencies. The focus will be on crime prevention through social development by identifying opportunities for increased awareness, education, and engagement with the public concerning the risk and protective factors related to crime.

Members of this action table will work towards educating the public by addressing misconceptions related to crime and social disorder and providing evidence-based information relating to how we understand perceptions of safety, with the goal of

sustaining safe communities across our region. Together, they will promote collaborative approaches to enhance planning and preventative strategies to community safety.

What is Community Safety and Well-Being Planning (CSWBP) Bruce-Grey?

CSWBP promotes an evidence-based, research-driven approach to reducing crime by focusing on factors that impact safety and well-being before crime occurs. As a collaborative venture, the CSWBP Advisory Committee is comprised of representatives from lower-tier municipalities, the counties of Bruce and Grey, police services and police service boards, boards of education, and education, health and social services agencies and community partners. CSWBP provides a model for cross-section collaboration and coordination that focuses on crime prevention by investing in social development, prevention and risk intervention in order to reduce the need for acute incident responses.

Why Is CSWBP Establishing a Crime Prevention Action Table?

In Phase 2 of CSWBP, action tables are being identified to address five priority areas – including crime prevention – that have been determined to be of greatest concern. Action tables focus primarily on social development and prevention as we work together to create and sustain safer communities throughout Grey-Bruce. Action tables will respond to issues that fall within the purview of each priority area by implementing an action plan that will identify and track measurable indicators, progress, and outcomes. Issues addressed through action tables will require a broad, system-level response and will bring together community partners and individuals who are interested in collaborative responses to actionable, evidence-informed issues impacting safety and well-being.

In the community engagement survey that informed the initial phase of CSWBP, crime prevention was identified as an area of priority, ranking third overall, and in the top three areas of importance by 44% of survey respondents (Bruce County 42%, Grey County 46%). When asked which areas were of particular concern in this category, break and enter, drug trafficking and theft were the top concerns, followed by intimate partner or domestic violence and human trafficking. Members of the crime prevention action table will address these and other aspects of crime prevention through research, education and public outreach, and will work towards collaborative strategies that focus on improving safety and perceptions of safety in our communities.

How Can I Become Involved?

If you are interested in contributing your enthusiasm, skills, and knowledge to promote a broader understanding of crime prevention that supports Bruce-Grey communities as safe and welcoming communities, please contact Sarah Pelton (spelton@brucecounty.on.ca) to learn more and request an application form.

For more information about CSWBP Bruce-Grey, please visit: www.cswbp-brucegrey.ca

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Council / Committee Meetings – Thursday, December 15, 2022

Bruce County Council and Committees met on December 15, 2022 beginning at 9:30 AM in the Council Chambers and virtually through Teams. Video recordings of the meetings can be reviewed at www.brucecounty.on.ca/government/agendas-and-minutes



December 15, 2022

Planning & Development Committee:

After a Public Meeting, Committee approved Consent Application B-2022-087 (Boat Lake co Gibbons). Report

After a Public Meeting, Committee approved Consent Application B-2022-069 (Barrys). Report

Committee approved the Bruce County Growth Management Official Plan Amendment C-2022-012 Resolution. Report

Committee approved the circulation of the Summary of Bill 23, the More Homes Built Faster Act, 2022 and Additional Provincial Planning Consultation. Report

Committee received a report on the Stratford Bruce Peninsula Employment Services System Manager (SSM). <u>Report</u>
Committee received a report on an Economic Development Lead Generation Opportunity. <u>Report</u>

Transportation & Environmental Services Committee:

Committee approved the sole source purchase of a used forklift with use of up to \$16,000 from Machinery and Equipment Reserve Funds. Report

Committee approved, in advance of final 2023 capital budget approval, to tender and purchase 1 tandem axle cab and chassis snowplow, 2 half ton pick-up trucks, and 1 one ton pick-up truck consistent with the vehicle replacement schedule. The Committee also approved, in advance of final 2023 capital budget approval, to coincide our construction start of the pedestrian crossing work with Brockton's Yonge Steet construction project. Report

Committee approved to amend the 2022 budget to include funding the Bruce Rd 6A East Capital Project with \$900,000 from the multi-year Bruce Rd 25 Improvements Project. Report

Committee received a report on the Proposed Pedestrian Crosswalks on Rd 2 and Rd 4 in Walkerton. Report

Human Services Committee:

Committee approved updates to the Bruce County Licensed Home Child Care Program Rates and Policy. Report

Bruce County Housing Corporation:

Committee approved that Kenneth Craig, Mark Goetz, Garry Michi, and Donald Murray be elected Directors of the Bruce County Housing Corporation, along with Directors Luke Charbonneau, Steve Hammell, Milt McIver, and Chris Peabody, to hold office until the completion of the next Annual Meeting of the Voting Shareholder of the Corporation or until their successor is duly elected subject to the provisions of the by-laws of the Corporation and the provisions of the Business Corporations Act (Ontario). Report

Committee approved the election of the following persons as Officers of the Bruce County Housing Corporation to hold the office until the next Annual Meeting of the Voting Shareholders or until their respective successors shall be elected and appointed: Mark Goetz (President/CEO and Chair of the Board), Chris Peabody (Vice President), Edward Henley (Treasurer), Linda White (Secretary), Christine MacDonald (Officer), Tania Dickson (Officer), and Devon Gordon (Officer). Report

Committee approved that the rent for Bruce County Housing Corporation Community Housing units be increased by the Ontario 2023 Rent Increase Guideline of 2.5% or as otherwise indicated in the Bruce County Housing Corporation's Market Rent Increase April 1, 2023. The Committee also approved that rent geared to income assistance be provided immediately for all tenants that qualify. Report

Committee authorized the Bruce County Housing Corporation to write-off \$34,371.38 for bad debt for the year ending December 31, 2022. Report

Committee received a report on Q3 2022 Arrears. Report

Human Resources Committee:

Committee appointed individuals to the Bruce County Library Board for the 2023-2026 term.

Committee approved a Memorandum of Settlement between Bruce County and Ontario Nurses' Association (ONA) members at Brucelea Haven and Gateway Haven.

Committee approved a Memorandum of Settlement between Bruce County, Brucelea Haven, Gateway Haven, and UNIFOR Local 2458.

This publication identifies highlights from recent Bruce County Council and Committee meetings. Bruce County's Office of the CAO maintains complete agendas and minutes from all Council and Committee meetings, which can be reviewed at www.brucecounty.on.ca/government/agendas-and-minutes

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Bruce County Public Library received a thoughtful donation of \$7,680 towards the Bookmobile campaign from the Chesley Area Friends of the Library.

The Friends have been volunteering in Chesley for close to two decades. In 2007 w saw them receive the much-deserved Gabriele Schrieber Friends of the Year Award by Friends of Canadian Libraries after they showcased amazing efforts in helping Chesley secure a fresh, new library and raised over \$50,000 to support these efforts

Friends of the Library is a group of volunteers organized independently from the Library. Their purposes are to promote and publicize library services, fundraise, raise awareness and advocate when requested by the Library and Library Board.

Unfortunately, 2022 will be The Chesley Area Friends' final year, as they have decided to disband. They have shown insurmountable generosity since their beginning and will be greatly missed.

This final donation will aid the Bruce County Public Library Bookmobile project in its goal to serve the under-serviced communities in Bruce County. A heartfelt thank you goes out to the Chesley Area Friends from the Bruce County Public Library and Library Board.

To learn more about Bruce County Public Library visit their website at <u>Library.brucecounty.on.ca</u> Show Me How



Assistant Branch Supervisor, Brandy with Chesley Area Friends of the Library members Barb Young and Doug Walsh



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So what is there to discover?

Bruce County Public Library is a vibrant hub and pillar of the community. From eBoot to fishing rods, video games to educational workshops, Bruce County Public Libra offers something for everyone.

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Past inventors of Bruce County to be highlighted in upcoming BCM&CC exhibit

On January 14, the Bruce County Museum & Cultural Centre is set to open its first exhibit of 2023, Made in Bruce, showcasing the innovative contributions of past Bruce County residents.



December 29, 2022

On January 14, the Bruce County Museum & Cultural Centre is set to open its first exhibit of 2023, Made in Bruce, showcasing the innovative contributions of past Bruce County residents.

This exhibit will highlight Bruce County inventors who made their mark by applying creativity to develop inventions and modifications that set products apart from competition.

"Innovation isn't something that just happens in urban centres," says Museum Director Cathy McGirr. "Innovation is all about making things better and in many cases out of necessity. This exhibition showcases the innovative spirit and resourcefulness of many individuals within Bruce County."

Guests will discover patented inventions and innovations such as W.A. Gerolamy's fanning mill, Krug Bros Ltd.'s dresser drawers, Elhanan Bowman's phone apparatus, Donald McKenzie's hockey stick, and more.

Members see the exhibit for free; general admission applies. Full exhibit details can be found at brucemuseum.ca

About the Bruce County Museum & Cultural Centre

The Bruce County Museum & Cultural Centre offers adult and children's programming, special events, and is home to the Bruce County Archives & Research Room. Our mandate is to preserve and make available the documentary heritage of Bruce County.

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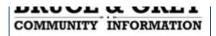
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