



The Corporation of the Township of Huron-Kinloss

Staff Report

Report Title: Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act (EMCPA) Update (10)

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Department: Clerk

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Attachments:

Recommendation:

That the Township of Huron-Kinloss Council hereby receives for information Report Number CLK2020-11-98 prepared by Emily Dance, Clerk

Background:

On November 6, 2020 the Province announced, "[Keeping Ontario Safe and Open Framework](#)." The [framework](#) provides indications for adjusting and tightening public health measures based on certain criteria. The intent is to introduce preventative measures earlier to help avoid broader closures and allow for public health and workplace safety measures to be introduced and removed gradually.

The [framework](#) lays out a proactive and graduated to be applied based on the local situation in each public health broke into five levels:

Green	Prevent (Standard Measures)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Focus on education and awareness of public health and workplace safety measures.• Restriction reflect broadest allowance of activities in Stage 3 absent a widely available vaccine or treatment.• Highest risk settings remain closed.
Yellow	Protect (Strengthened Measures)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Enhanced targeted enforcement, fines, and enhanced education to limit further transmission.• Apply public health measures in high risk settings.

Orange	Restrict (Intermediate Measures)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Implement enhanced measures, restrictions, and enforcement avoiding any closures.
Red	Control (Stringent Measures)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Implement broader-scale measures and restrictions, across multiple sectors, to control transmission. (Return to modified Stage 2) • Restrictions are the most severe available before widescale business or organizational closure.
Black/Grey	Lockdown (Maximum Measures)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Implement widescale measures and restrictions, including closures, to halt or interrupt transmission (Return to modified Stage 1 or pre-Stage 1) • Consider declaration of emergency.

The framework proposes general public health measures for, sports and recreational fitness, meeting and event spaces, retail, personal care services, Casinos, Bingo Halls and Gaming Establishments, Cinemas and Performing Arts Facilities.

Discussion:

The framework was discussed at the Municipal Emergency Management Control Group and at the Planning and Operations Group meeting. The Township appreciates the framework as we move through the pandemic and will adjust our operations accordingly.

In order to be prepared for the changes in the pandemic in our region, a COVID-19 Second Wave Action Plan has been developed. This document will incorporate four different scenarios:

- Public Health reporting low numbers, schools open and office open to the public.
- Public Health reporting medium numbers, schools remote learning and office open to the public, MECG recommends reduced staff numbers in office.
- Province restricting businesses to essential services, Public Health recommending limited services, schools and day-cares closed, office closed to the public and cases of COVID-19 confirmed within a team.
- Province issues stay at home order, Public Health recommends stay at home, office closed to the public or COVID-19 outbreak occurs.

This living document outlines by department staff office or remote work giving all staff clarity on potential changes with work and allows for the essential services to

remain. Staff will continually review in order to maintain compliance with provincial and health unit orders.

Financial Impacts:

There are no financial impacts related to this report.

Strategic Alignment / Link:

We are an accessible community by being open and transparent.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Emily Dance, Clerk

Approved By:

Mary Rose Walden, Chief Administrative Officer