



Staff Report

Report Title: Emergency Management Update (37)

Prepared By: Emily Dance, Clerk

Department: CLERK

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Attachments:

Recommendation:

THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receives for information Report CLK-2022-04-29 prepared by Emily Dance, Clerk.

Background:

Province of Ontario

As of March 21, 2022, general masking requirements have been lifted; however, masking will still be required in certain indoor settings, including public transit, including indoor areas and vehicles. This does not include businesses or organizations that provide sightseeing or touring services, health care settings including hospitals, psychiatric facilities, doctors' offices, immunization clinics, laboratories, specimen collection centres, home and community care provider locations only if you are an employee or contractor, long-term care and retirement homes, shelters and other congregate care settings that provide care and services to medically and socially vulnerable individuals

Also effective March 21, 2022: passive screening of individuals prior to entering a business will no longer be required, businesses and organizations that are open will no longer be required to prepare and make available a safety plan.

The province indicated with key public health and health system indicators continuing to remain stable or improving, Ontario is cautiously and gradually easing public health and workplace safety measures with all remaining measures, directives and orders to end by April 27, 2022.

Grey Bruce Public Health

A vaccine clinic at the Ripley-Huron Community Centre was held March 25, 2022, there are no future clinics scheduled at the Community Centre at this time. Select pharmacies and primary care settings are booking first, second and third dose vaccination appointments for those who are eligible. Information on upcoming clinics in Grey Bruce and at pharmacies can be found on the [Grey-Bruce Health website](#).

Discussion:

The Planning and Operations Committee continue to meet weekly and make the necessary changes to our procedures as we navigate through this new phase. Staff currently working from home are slowly transitioning back to the office with the enhanced cleaning measures remaining in place.

The Emergency Communications Team has sent out a final COVID-19 newsletter with a Thank-you from Mayor Twolan. All further communications will be included through the regular communication channels.

Financial Impacts:

The total financial impacts related to the pandemic are not known at this time.

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