



# Council Communiqué

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## Investing in Tourism

Tourism is a growth industry that is projected to continue rising over the next decade. A significant amount of resources and investments are being dedicated to help grow the tourism market throughout the country.

Studies and reports continue to show how important this sector is to rural Ontario.

We are working on an Economic Development plan where tourism will be a major focus. Limited funds are allocated to this objective in the municipal budget. We must position ourselves to benefit from the broad range of provincial and regional



resources available. We will continue to collaborate and work regionally, while competing locally. We are proud to announce 'Experience Tweed' as a tourism and investment attraction identity that will be used to market our communities to potential visitors. We are also continuing our efforts towards destination development and visitor services, as well as striving to develop working relationships with tourism stakeholders. Our communities have a lot to be excited about in the coming years. Visit the 'Experience Tweed' section of our website.

## Wastewater Treatment System Expansion

The Municipality is initiating a planning process to expand the wastewater treatment system. The existing system is nearing its rated capacity for wastewater flows and treatment. Measures must be taken to ensure adequate capacity exists for future demands and growth in the municipality.

The project is proceeding under Schedule C of the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment process. The first public information session was held on February 6th. Information presented at this public meeting relating to alternative solutions and evaluation processes is available by accessing the Public Information page of our website.

[www.twp.tweed.on.ca](http://www.twp.tweed.on.ca)

## Smoke Free Municipal Buildings, Playgrounds & Playing Fields

The Municipality is taking a proactive approach to address the health hazards associated with second-hand smoke by enacting two new by-laws: By-Law No. 2011-43 prohibits smoking within 9 meters surrounding municipal buildings and By-Law No. 2012-06 prohibits smoking within 25 meters surrounding playgrounds and playing fields owned by the Municipality.

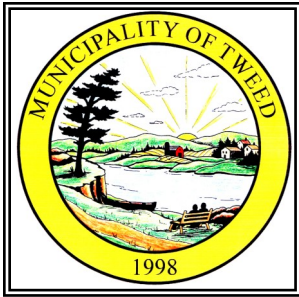
These regulating by-laws are

subject to set fines and will be enforced by the Hastings & Prince Edward Counties Health Unit Enforcement Officers. For more information call the **Tobacco Talk Line** at **613-966-5513 Ext. 600**, or email us at [ttl@hpechu.on.ca](mailto:ttl@hpechu.on.ca).



## Residents say "NO" to Rural Garbage Collection

The results of the survey to determine interest in rural curbside garbage collection are in. The response rate was 30% of those contacted - only 9% were in favour & 91% were not in favour. Council has determined that this program will not be implemented. Thank you for taking part in the survey.



## Fire Burning Regulations

No burning is allowed in any part of the municipality between 7 a.m. and 7 p.m. from April 1st to October 31st each year; or at any time when a burn ban is issued by the Fire Chief. No burning is allowed in the Village limits at any time other than small piles of leaves between 7 p.m. and 7 a.m. from September 15th to November 30th.

Permission for daytime burning and current burning conditions may be obtained by contacting the Fire Chief at the municipal office.

### Call Before You Burn

Under the current fire operations by-law you may be held financially responsible for the costs of extinguishing a fire.

## Household Hazardous Waste Collection Events

Two mobile hazardous and electronic waste events will be held in Tweed in 2013.

On **April 27** and **July 13** you can reduce the impact of toxic household products by taking these materials to the Fire Hall at 127 River St. W.

Need more information?  
[www.quinterecycling.ca](http://www.quinterecycling.ca)



**NON  
RECYCLABLE  
WASTE**

## Municipal Website



Access coming events, municipal forms, council and committee agendas and minutes, festivals, business directory, etc., etc.

[www.twp.tweed.on.ca](http://www.twp.tweed.on.ca)



As of November 5, 2012 Ontario government services are no longer available in the municipal office. Please use the website above or visit their Belleville office located at 199 Front St., Unit 109 to access all available Service Ontario services.



## 2013 DOG TAGS

Please remember to buy your 2013 dog tags before April 1st.

## Tweed Public Library



### Hours of Operation

Tuesday: 10:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.  
Wednesday: 12:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.  
Thursday: 4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.  
Friday: 10:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.  
Friday: 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.  
Saturday: 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Email: [tweedlibrary@vianet.ca](mailto:tweedlibrary@vianet.ca)  
[www.tweedlibrary.ca](http://www.tweedlibrary.ca)

*Coming This Summer!*  
*Friends of Tweed Library Garden Tour*



## THE MOVE TO CLEAR BAGS

***Why is the Municipality of Tweed considering the implementation of a 'clear garbage bag' policy?***

To us the reason is clear—to reduce and /or eliminate the amount of recyclable materials currently going into the landfill site in green and black garbage bags.

Every effort is being made by the Municipality to extend the life of our waste disposal sites.

Bulk items are being placed into containers at the sites and are removed on a regular basis and taken to other sites for disposal.

Household hazardous and electronic waste collection days conducted by Quinte Waste Solutions are promoted and your participation is encouraged every year. There are now two

opportunities each year to dispose of hazardous and electronic waste free of charge.

The Municipality participates in the Ontario Tire Stewardship Program which keeps old tires from accumulating in our waste sites.

Application is being made for approval for an electronic waste collection area at our current site.

Waste site passes have been distributed to property owners to control access to our waste site and construction materials are managed through the use of construction passes.

All of these initiatives are meant to extend the useful life of our present landfill sites and keep recyclables out. Recycling is easy and effective.



## ICSP UPDATE

The Municipality of Tweed and the Community Development Committee (CDC) are very pleased with the progress of the Integrated Community Sustainability Plan (ICSP). Since its inception in 2009 there has been extraordinary progress. The majority of actions within have been addressed and many have achieved a successful result. The CDC is now looking for new members for the committee as well as project volunteers. A status review of the plan is underway and reports on each pillar will be completed and posted on the municipal website. Contact Bill Bissett at 613-243-4624.