

Report to Council

Report Title:	Fischer Dairy Road Smoking Information Bulletin			
Prepared By:	Fiona Hamilton, Clerk			
Department:	Clerk's			
Date:	October 15, 2019			
Report Number:	CLK2019-33	File Number:	C11CL, M07	
Attachments	Draft Smoking Information Bulletin			

Recommendation:

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby approves Report Number CLK2019-33 – Fischer Dairy Road Smoking Information Bulletin, prepared by Fiona Hamilton, Clerk and in doing so approves a Smoking Information Bulletin being distributed to residents along Fischer Dairy Road and Hinks Street in Walkerton to inform them about the changes to the *Smoke Free Ontario Act, 2017*.

Report:

Background:

The *Smoke Free Ontario Act, 2017*, which regulates smoking, was amended last year to prevent students from smoking within 20 metres of school property. As a result, many students are now smoking at the intersections of Hinks Street and Fischer Dairy Road.

Council has discussed these concerns at numerous meetings, and staff have met with representatives from the Grey Bruce Health Unit ("GBHU") and Walkerton District Community School ("WDCS") on a few occasions to try to find a solution to the problem. One solution that was endorsed by Council was to direct student to the small parkette along Yonge Street as this area would not be within the prohibited zone. Unfortunately, this suggestion was not acceptable to the GBHU or WDCS as the students smoking would still be visible to elementary level children.

Analysis:

As a result, municipal representatives met with representatives from the GBHU and WDCS to again discuss the situation. Although the parties did not identify a clear solution, the suggestion was made to provide a joint information bulletin to explain what caused the situation in the first place. The information bulletin would summarize the changes to the Act and include the contact information from all three organizations. Provided Council approves of the content and the overall proposal, the Information Bulletin would be provided to all residents living in the area to ensure consistent communications across all three organizations.

Sustainability Checklist:

What aspect of the Brockton Sustainable Strategic Plan does the content/recommendations in this report help advance?

Do the recommendations help move the Municipality closer to its Vision?
Do the recommendations contribute to achieving Cultural Vibrancy?
Do the recommendations contribute to achieving Economic Prosperity?
N/A
Do the recommendations contribute to Environmental Integrity?
N/A
Do the recommendations contribute to the Social Equity?

Financial Impacts/Source of Funding:

Do the recommendations represent a sound financial investment from a sustainability perspective?
N/A

Reviewed By:

Trish Serratore, Chief Financial Officer

Respectfully Submitted by:

Fiona Hamilton, Clerk

Reviewed By:

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Sonya Watson, Chief Administrative Officer