

Message from the Mayor – July 30, 2020



I am pleased that, at the time of writing this message, we have entered Stage Three of Phase Two of the Province's reopening plan. Our local Health Unit continues to report low COVID-case numbers and there are currently no known active cases in this area. So, we are continuing to move forward with Callander's reopening plan, as approved by Council.

At this time, our Main Office has reopened for walk-in service, with protective measures in place. Some of our recreational and cultural facilities have already reopened and we are preparing for the reopening of others, but some will remain closed at this time. Please check the updates on the COVID-19 page of our website and our postings on Facebook for details on the reopening and protective measures that are in place. We must continue to be watchful and reopen at the right pace and in the right way, so we do not have to go backwards due to rising case numbers, as we have seen in other places.

Callander is well known for being a caring and friendly community. I urge you to continue to be kind and considerate of your neighbours. Please be patient, wear a mask when required and where social distancing cannot be maintained, if possible, and continue to follow other safety precautions such as hand washing.

Our local Health Unit has mandated wearing masks in indoor public spaces. Please keep in mind that some individuals with certain conditions are exempt from the requirement to wear masks, and that businesses have the right to refuse to refuse entry to anyone not wearing a mask, to help protect their employees and customers; we ask you to be understanding of these facts.

Callander residents are fortunate to live in this beautiful community all year round. As the Province starts lifting previous restrictions, we are once again seeing visitors from other communities coming to enjoy our area. While we welcome them, we urge all visitors, as well as our residents, to be vigilant and responsible in making correct choices to protect yourselves and each other.

This pandemic has created a stressful situation for many people for a variety of reasons. It is difficult for all of us, but I am confident that if we all make a point of continuing to be the kind and caring people we are known to be, we can get through this together. We have done really well so far, but we still have work to do and will need to continue taking measures to prevent the spread until there is a vaccine or cure.

Thank you for your efforts and let's continue to work together for the benefit of this beautiful community.

Mayor Robb Noon