

Municipal News & Announcements



A Message from the Mayor

They say that you can never ‘over communicate’ so that’s one reason I’m delighted to announce that we are preparing to host four Ward Meetings with topics relevant to area residents. This initiative follows my 2017 Mayor’s Task Force on Public Engagement where I worked with a group of volunteers to develop the Town’s first

Public Engagement Charter. The Charter was developed as a means to ensure we, as a municipality, are meeting the tenets of notification, transparency and participation when we communicate about opportunities to involve the public.

The Ward Meetings are part of the Council-approved Public Engagement Strategy to employ new tactics to inform and connect with the community. As an elected official, I put my name, face and reputation on the line and communicate in an open and transparent manner. Public engagement is part of public office and it is a responsibility that all of us on Council take seriously. I know that my colleagues look forward to attending the upcoming meetings.

Although the meeting dates have not yet been confirmed, residents have the opportunity now to share their thoughts on what they would like to hear about using the Town’s online engagement platform, letstalkhaltonhills.ca. Watch the platform for further information.

Keeping it real.

Rick Bonnette,
Mayor



A Message from the CAO

The Halton Hills community has managed, to a large extent, in retaining its valued ‘small Town charm’ while grappling with the inevitable growth and the changes that come with it. This makes the need for frequent and robust communications even more necessary. Council’s adoption of a public engagement charter is indicative of the

interest in enhancing the municipality’s external communications. This has been a focus over the last few years with the addition of new tools and tactics to provide information through multiple channels such as letstalkhaltonhills.ca which houses all of the Town’s online consultation opportunities, a new corporate e-newsletter ‘The Current’ and adoption of the Public Engagement Charter to guide a more consistent and clear approach to defining and meeting consultation standards.

The Ward Meetings provide another way for the municipality to connect with the community, giving residents the opportunity to learn about projects specific to their Ward as well as broader initiatives of community-wide interest. Each meeting will allow time for questions and, per the Public Engagement Charter, the ensuing Q & A will be posted on the online platform. I hope you will join us; dates to be announced shortly.

Brent Marshall,
Chief Administration Officer