



# Town of Newmarket Council Information Package

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There were no proclamation and lighting requests for this period.

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RE: Municipal Reporting Burden

Dear Heads of Council,

As you have heard me say, reducing the provincial reporting burden affecting the municipal sector is a priority for the government. I addressed municipal concerns about the reporting burden at the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) conference in Ottawa this past summer. I have heard from municipalities that the province asks for too many reports, which impacts the ability of municipalities to focus on local priorities.

I have struck a team in my ministry to lead the reduction of the municipal reporting burden across government. In addition to reducing the number of reports, we must make sure any remaining information collected is necessary for the province's work. We must confirm the information requested is not duplicative, and that the reporting requirements for small municipalities are appropriate.

To address these goals, my ministry will be convening a cross-government working group to bring together ministries with municipal reporting requirements. This group will be tasked with reducing reporting and undertaking the work to meet the aforementioned commitments.

In addition to our cross-government working group, in 2018, my team will be convening a stakeholder working group of various municipal associations with a shared common interest in municipal reporting requirements.

I invite you to share your thoughts on what changes can be made to municipal reporting directly to my office, as well.

Thank you for your support.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Steve Clark'.

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**Sent:** December 12, 2018 3:06 PM

**Subject:** A Motion to Promote Fitness & Physical Activity Levels of Canadian Youth

Good afternoon,

I was proud to rise in the House of Commons yesterday to speak on my Private Members Motion 206.

You may watch my speech via the link attached and share with your networks.

**HOC Speech on M-206:** <https://youtu.be/s5q1kCUe4u8>

**Background:**

M-206 instructs the Standing Committee on Health to study the levels of fitness and physical activity of Canadian youth, taking into consideration the social, economic, cultural, physical and mental health implications as well as the relationship between increased physical activity and anti-bullying.

Today, our youth are spending far too much time in front of screens and as a result, are not reaching the recommended levels of physical activity outlined in the Canadian 24-Hour Movement Guidelines for Children and Youth. Engaging in fitness and physical activity has numerous benefits for all ages, but particularly our youth. Increased physical activity leads to maintaining healthy bodies and lifestyles, sharper minds, and can teach our youth valuable skills such as time management and self-discipline, commitment, respect and fair play and teamwork. M-206 will ensure that Parliamentarians study and fully understand the multi-faceted impact that fitness and physical activity have on our youth, and will provide recommendations and strategies for ways in which we can work to increase activity levels.

**Quote** “As the father of two young boys, I have seen first-hand the significant benefits that an active lifestyle can have and I have also seen how addictive screen time can be. Ensuring that our youth are meeting the recommended physical activity levels is important, and will lead them to a healthier and more successful life. I am proud to have tabled M-206 so that the federal government can, through the Standing Committee on Health, tap into the existing expertise on this important matter; and recommend to the House a strategy for moving forward.”

Sincerely,

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RE: York Region Environmental Alliance (YREA) response to Bill 66: Keeping Newmarket open for business without jeopardizing the Greenbelt, Oak Ridges Moraine & other environmental protections.

The Government of Ontario has introduced Bill 66, supposedly, to restore Ontario's competitiveness through Schedule 10 that would amend the Planning Act to allow municipalities to pass "open-for-business planning by-laws". Of serious concern to us:

- Bill would allow open-for-business planning by-laws to override important water, agricultural and environmental protections contained in the Clean Water Act, 2006, and the Greenbelt Act, 2005; the Places to Grow Act, and other provincial legislation.
- No notice or hearing is required prior to the passing of an open-for-business planning by-law.

The Greenbelt and Oak Ridges Moraine are integral components of land use planning that complements the Growth Plan to encourage smart planning, the reduction of sprawl, protection of natural and hydrological features and agricultural lands. The Greenbelt has protected 1.8 million acres of farmland, local food supplies, the headwaters of our rivers and important forests and wildlife habitat for over 12 years. It generates 9.1 billion dollars in revenue each year, creating 161,000 local jobs across 28 municipalities. It ensures our food security by providing us with local food, encouraging young farmers to step in. Existing agriculture, tourism and recreation provide enormous economic impact and are an important part of planning for sustainable communities - which cannot be said for more urban sprawl.

There is a tremendous amount of land, including employment lands, already planned and available in excess of the development needs of the GTA without weakening the protections provided by the Greenbelt, Oak Ridges Moraine plans and Clean Water Act - critical to the health of our communities.

YREA asks that the Town of Newmarket, upon review of Schedule 10 of Bill 66, stand with other enlightened municipalities by opposing this Act. Why? Because our communities are not red tape, our rivers and streams are not red tape, our local food security is not red tape and the future health and well-being of our children is not red tape.

Sincerely

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