



MEDIA RELEASE

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All Municipal Outdoor Recreational Amenities CLOSED Due to COVID-19

Petawawa, ON –Premier Ford has extended the declaration of a State of Emergency for the Province of Ontario and associated emergency measures, including the closure of non-essential workplaces and restrictions on social gatherings. Effective immediately, all Ontario recreational amenities are now closed.

Pursuant to the declaration, the Town of Petawawa has closed all outdoor recreational amenities for any shared or communal, public or private space. This closure includes but is not limited to, playgrounds, sport fields, basketball and tennis courts, Scentral Bark Off-Leash Dog Park, beaches, bike park, picnic areas, outdoor community gardens, park shelters, outdoor exercise equipment, and other outdoor recreational amenities.

Greenspaces such as the Millennium and Algonquin trails and other connective pathways, will remain open only as walkthrough access. If you are out using the trails to bike, walk or commute between spaces, please ensure that you respect other users and maintain the recommended physical distance of 2 metres.

Ontario's provincial parks and conservation reserves remain closed, as per the March 18th statement by the Ministry of Environment Conservation and Parks which indicated that all provincial parks were to close effective March 19th until April 30th. This order includes Petawawa Terrace.

These measures are enacted so that we can work together to stop the spread of COVID-19 by staying home, practicing physical distancing, and avoid social gatherings.

We thank the public and our staff for their continued patience and understanding during this time.

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