



City of Sarnia

MEDIA RELEASE

DATE:May 11, 2020RELEASE DATE:ImmediateFROM:City of Sarnia Primary Control GroupSUBJECT:COVID-19 Update – May 11

The Sarnia Primary Control Group (SPCG) met via teleconference on May 11, 2020, at 9:00 am regarding developments related to the COVID-19 pandemic.

We recognize that this is a difficult time, as everyone has been impacted by COVID-19. We would like to ensure our community are supporting their interests and health by utilizing local resources.

The Sarnia-Lambton community, through Lambton County Library, have free access from the comfort of home to Online Courses, TV shows, Movies, Music, eBooks and Audiobooks, and for a limited time until May 31, 2020 <u>Ancestry Online</u>. To access these resources please visit <u>www.lclibrary.ca</u>, and log-on to your library account using the "My Account" button.

The Government of Ontario has begun <u>reopening provincial parks and</u> <u>conservation reserves</u> for limited day-use access. For the time being, recreational activities will be limited to walking, hiking, biking and birdwatching. All buildings and facilities including washrooms, water taps, campgrounds, backcountry campsites, roofed accommodations, playgrounds, and beaches will remain closed.

Outdoor exercise can contribute to your overall physical and mental health. <u>You can go for a walk if you</u>: have not been diagnosed with COVID-19, do not have symptoms of COVID-19, have not travelled outside of Canada in the past 14 days, are not in quarantine (self isolating), and are not isolating.

If you go out for a walk, do not congregate and always practise physical distancing by keeping at least 2 metres apart from others at all times.

As of 9:00 a.m. on May 11 SPCG can report that:

Summary of COVID-19 cases in Lambton County

Confirmed Cases	200
Number of Related Deaths	17
Institutional Outbreaks	1
Resolved Outbreaks	3

By-Law Enforcement - COVID-19 Reporting System

Total number of complaints and inquiries received	850
Total number of emails received	711
Total number of phone calls received	139
Total number of fines issued	5

Lambton Public Health

 If you are experiencing symptoms and have traveled internationally, please call your health care provider or Lambton Public Health (519-383-8331) or <u>https://lambtonpublichealth.ca/.</u> Please do not call 9-1-1 unless it is an emergency.

Provincial Orders

The current State of Emergency will remain in effect until May 19, 2020, unless extended. <u>https://news.ontario.ca/opo/en/2020/04/ontario-extends-emergency-orders-to-help-stop-the-spread-of-covid-19.html</u>

The Sarnia Primary Control Group will continue to meet daily to ensure that all new and relevant information is being taken into consideration going forward. Daily public notifications will be issued. Please visit the City's website <u>www.sarnia.ca</u>, Facebook, and/or Twitter for updates.

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For further information, please contact:

City of Sarnia COVID-19 Hotline

<u>covid@sarnia.ca</u> or 1-877-4-SARNIA (1-877-472-7642) or 519-332-0932

City of Sarnia, Customer Service <u>customerservice@sarnia.ca</u> or 519-332-0330 ext.3131