



City of Sarnia

MEDIA RELEASE

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FROM: City of Sarnia Primary Control Group

Subject: COVID-19 Update – May 27

The Sarnia Primary Control Group (SPCG) met via teleconference on May 27, 2020, at 9:15 a.m. regarding developments related to the COVID-19 pandemic.

The Government of Ontario has extended <u>Emergency Orders</u> until June 9, 2020.

The Emergency Orders include several items, not limited to, the closure of outdoor playgrounds, play structures and equipment, public swimming pools and splash pads, under <u>Ontario Regulation 104/20</u>, <u>Closure of Outdoor Recreational Amenities</u>.

Restrictions remain in place on physical gatherings of more than five people.

As per the Provincial Order, any person who uses a recreational amenity shall maintain a physical distance of at least two metres from other people. Maintaining a physical distance does not apply with respect to persons who are part of the same household.

For greater certainty, nothing within the Provincial Order prevents individuals from walking through or using portions of park and recreational areas that are not otherwise closed. However, citizens are asked to respect barriers and signage that have been put in place to indicate closures. City By-law Officers continue to patrol areas to educate citizens.

As of 9:15 a.m. on May 27 the SPCG can report that:

Summary of COVID-19 cases in Lambton County

Confirmed Cases 254	254	Confirmed Cases
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Recovered Cases	185
Number of Related Deaths	21
Current Active Long Term Care and Retirement Home Outbreaks	4
Resolved Long Term Care and Retirement Home Outbreaks	3

By-Law Enforcement COVID-19 Reporting System

Total number of complaints and inquiries received	1022
Total number of emails received	847
Total number of phone calls received	175
Total number of fines issued	5

Lambton Public Health

- If you are in distress (e.g. significant trouble breathing, chest pain, fainting, or have a significant worsening of any chronic disease symptoms), do not go to an Assessment Centre. Call 9-1-1 or go to the nearest Emergency Department.
- If you think you may have COVID-19 symptoms or have been in close contact with someone who has symptoms, please self-isolate and use the <u>Ontario Self-Assessment Tool</u> to determine if you need to seek further care.

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 www.sarnia.ca, Facebook, and/or Twitter for updates.

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For further information, please contact:

City of Sarnia COVID-19 Hotline

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