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COVID-19 Action Plan and Information Sources

The Township of South Algonquin continues to monitor the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic we understand that this is a stressful time for our residents and staff and thank the public for taking these precautions seriously. Self-isolating to slow the transmission of COVID-19 is the best option for the entire community and country.

Action to attempt to prevent further spread;

In support of the isolation period that the Provincial Government is attempting to create, the following have been cancelled or closed until further notice;

1. All recreation and library events and facilities,
2. Township Council and Committee meetings,
3. Community Resource Centre Programs, (GameON, Toy Bus, Seniors lunches),
4. Whitney and area Seniors events and facility,

In an effort to reduce the spread of COVID-19 the Township of South Algonquin is;

1. **Closing all facilities to the public,**
2. Increasing the frequency of disinfecting our public spaces and work stations, sanitizing, closing and locking vacant facilities,
3. Providing staff with guidance and personal protective equipment where required,
4. Sharing updated information with the public as it becomes available.

During this time of heightened concern, we are requesting that the public;

1. Self-isolate for 14 days following travel outside of Canada,
2. Do not enter Municipal facilities, we will accommodate your business over the phone or email. (613) 637-2650 or info@southalgonquin.ca
3. Pay tax bills online or phone through your bank or place a cheque in the night deposit box, late fees will be waived for April, 2020 to provide additional time to use these methods.

The South Algonquin Family Health Team remains open. Call prior to going the office so that they can help determine your best course of action. 613-637-2170

Contact Telehealth Ontario 1-866-797-0007 if you have symptoms,

Renfrew County and District Health unit is the main contact regarding COVID19 and are providing regular updates on their website <https://www.rcdhu.com/>

<https://www.who.int/emergencies/diseases/novel-coronavirus-2019>

<https://www.canada.ca/en/public-health/services/diseases/2019-novel-coronavirus-infection.html>

<https://www.ontario.ca/page/2019-novel-coronavirus>