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## Lake Simcoe Regional Airport Board

On June 28, 2022, County Council announced that it is pleased to welcome Chartright Air Group Fixed-Base Operator Services to the Lake Simcoe Regional Airport (YLS).

The addition of Chartright Air Group as a fixed base operator (FBO) enables the LSRA to offer a full suite of passenger and aircraft handling services, including baggage handling, on-site customs, complete line service, aircraft cleaning, fueling, de-icing, hangarage, aircraft parking, catering, hotel, and car rental coordination. Chartright will also operate a full-service aircraft maintenance organization with a focus on turbine/jet aircrafts. It is anticipated that a full-service FBO, notably one of Canada's largest operators of private jet aircrafts, will act as a catalyst for future investment at the airport.

Chartright's 34,000 square-foot FBO and hangar facility at the LSRA features a generous lobby, passenger and crew lounges, pilot snooze rooms, a meeting room, and weather and flight planning facilities, which is able to accommodate aircraft up to the size of the Global 7500.

## Blue Box Program Transition Update

In April 2022, the Province of Ontario amended their regulation for a province-wide plan to shift management of recycling material management to producer responsibility. Moving forward, companies that produce plastic packaging and other recycling products will be fully responsible for recycling their products after use by residents.

Producer Responsibility has already been implemented elsewhere in Canada, including in British Columbia, and is popular across the globe, including within the European Union. Many Ontario municipalities, including the County of Simcoe, have long been supportive of the provincial transition to full producer responsibility, as it is considered a key step in reducing long term environmental impacts and costs on taxpayers.

On June 14, Committee of the Whole directed staff to enter into negotiations with Circular Materials Ontario (CMO), one of four producer responsibility organizations in Ontario, and to determine whether to enter into agreements for collection, depot and promotion and education services with CMO. This agreement will cover the transition period only, which would be from January 1, 2024 to December 31, 2025.

# Simcoe County Hospice Alliance

June 28, 2022



## Simcoe County Hospice Alliance and Simcoe County Hospice Alliance - Funding Request

On June 28, 2022, members of the Simcoe County Hospice Alliance gave a presentation to Council on the performance of the five area hospices (Hospice Simcoe, Matthew's House, Hospice Georgian Triangle, Hospice Huronia, Mariposa House Hospice). Council were advised of current regional capacity and the priorities for the Simcoe County Hospice Alliance.

Later in the meeting, Council approved the Simcoe County Hospice Alliance's funding request, providing continued support to hospices that relieve suffering and improve the quality of living and dying. The Simcoe County Hospice Alliance is scheduled to received \$500,000 annually between 2021 and 2025.

## Temporary Motel Shelter Model Wind Down and Transition Plan

The temporary emergency motel shelter model program began in March 2020 and was a direct response to the needs of homeless individuals during the COVID-19 pandemic as shelters reduced their capacity or closed due to health and safety requirements. The temporary program was fully funded by both the provincial and federal government with funding streams supporting activities to transition from the temporary program in line with the province's Re-Opening of Ontario Act. In 2022, the average cost for the motel model was \$850,000 per month (including motel costs, staffing, and program expenses) to run the program at the Barrie motel location, housing as many as 140 to 175 individuals nightly. The motel program was temporarily extended to July 15 (from June 30) to permit additional time for planning.

On June 28, 2022, Council recognized the need to provide additional support with the transition for homeless individuals out of the emergency motel shelter model. County Council committed to provide support during the transition through an additional funding envelope of up to \$800,000 to augment the recent allocation of \$400,000 flowed through the County from the provincial pandemic Social Service Relief Funding (SSRF5) envelope and already committed to the shelter operators in the temporary motel shelter model in the City of Barrie. This additional allocation brings the County's commitment to this transitional period to \$1.2 million, with a further contribution of \$400,000 from the City of Barrie, totalling \$1.6 million between the contributors.

## Trails Connecting Communities Program (TCCP)

The Trails Connecting Communities Program (TCCP) was established in 2009 to assist municipalities in funding trails and active transportation projects around the County. The program operates through a 50/50 matching structure whereby County funds are matched to local municipal investment, to a maximum County contribution of \$30,000. The County's budget for each calendar year of funding is \$250,000. Since 2009, the County's Trails Connecting Communities Program has provided over \$2.6 million in funding to local municipalities through the program.

In 2022, the County received fifteen applications for TCCP funding. The County continues to fund a total of \$250,000. The applications received have requested a total of \$342,304 in funding. On June 28, 2022, Council authorized the withdrawal of \$92,304 from the reserve account to fund all projects received in 2022.



## Phase 1 Growth Management Official Plan Amendment

On June 28, 2022 at 10 a.m., Council hosted a statutory public meeting on a proposed first phase growth management amendment to the County's Official Plan. Interested parties who wished to speak at the meeting pre-registered and were allotted 5 minutes to voice an opinion on the Official Plan Amendment (OPA).

This proposed first phase growth management OPA has been prepared in association with the County's Municipal Comprehensive Review (MCR) to bring the County Official Plan into conformity with the Provincial Growth Plan which requires the County to plan for a population of 555,000 and 198,000 jobs by 2051. This proposed OPA represents the first of multiple amendments to the existing County Official Plan that will establish where and how growth is to occur over the next 30 years.

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