

Public Works MEMORANDUM

TO: Oxford County Council

FROM: David Simpson, Director of Public Works

DATE: January 11, 2023

RE: **Oxford County Proposed Backflow Prevention Program
Notice of Public Consultation Centres, Oxford County**

Oxford County is seeking feedback on a proposed backflow prevention program and draft bylaw. In Report No. PW 2022-35, County Council authorized staff to undertake a public consultation and engagement campaign to seek input on the proposed Backflow Prevention Program and draft By-law in 2023. Public and stakeholder consultation is a key element of the program development and review process.

In keeping with these commitments, Public Consultation Centres (PCCs) are to be held in each Area Municipality as noted below. The PCCs will consist of a presentation by the County project team followed by a question and answer period.

Tuesday, January 31	Woodstock
Tuesday, February 7	East Zorra-Tavistock
Thursday, February 16	South-West Oxford
Thursday, February 23	Ingersoll
Tuesday, February 28	Norwich
Tuesday, March 7	Blandford-Blenheim
Tuesday, March 14	Tillsonburg
Thursday, March 23	Zorra

Notice of the PCCs will be advertised to commercial, industrial, institutional, and select multi-residential property owners in advance through local newspapers and social media. In addition, mail outs were delivered to industrial, institutional, and commercial users that may be impacted by the proposed by-law making them aware of their ability to comment on the program during this review period.

Further to the PCCs, public opportunities to leave comments and ask questions will be available through the Speak-Up! Oxford project web page and remain active until the public consultation period closes on April 6, 2023.

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Director of Public Works
Encl. *Notice of Public Consultation Centre*