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Outdoor Municipal Recreation Amenities Closed

As per the Provincial Government's announcement of strengthening enforcement of the province's Stay-at-Home order and further strengthening public health measures all outdoor municipal recreational amenities, such as playgrounds, basketball courts, the Sullivan Rink of Dreams and the skate park are closed.

Residents may still utilize the Town's many parks and trails however all outdoor social gatherings and organized public events, except for with members of the same household or one other person from outside that household who lives alone or a caregiver for any member of the household are prohibit. It is strongly recommended that residents wear masks in all parks and on trails. While it may be necessary to remove masks for some vigorous activities, you are encouraged to keep your mask on as much as possible. The COVID-19 variants-of-concern (VOC) are much more contagious and transmissible – even outdoors. Wearing a mask helps keep our community safe.

Both the provincial declaration of emergency and the Stay-at-Home order (O.Reg 265/21) have been extended for an additional two weeks to help stop the spread of COVID-19. The Stay-at-Home order currently in effect requires everyone to remain at home except for specified purposes, such as going to the grocery store or pharmacy, accessing health care services (including getting vaccinated), for outdoor exercise, or for work that cannot be done remotely.

The new variants are faster spreading, more harmful, effect younger people and have a higher risk of recipients ending up in the ICU or passing away. It is important that everyone do their part in staying home, avoid contact with people who are ill, practice physical distancing (2 metres), wear a mask/face covering when physical distancing cannot be maintained, wash their hands, use the COVID Alert App, get a vaccine when they are eligible and complete the COVID-19 self-assessment tool or COVID-19 school and child care self-assessment tool daily if you go to work or daycare, to monitor for symptoms and proper guidance.

The Town of Arnprior Council and staff are working closely with the Renfrew County Health Unit and community partners to monitor the COVID-19 virus (coronavirus) and respond appropriately. For the most up-to-date COVID-19 information and news, please visit the Ontario Ministry of Health website [here](#).

Please monitor the Town's website, social media and the Town app for further updates and important communications. For all other COVID-19 related links and resources for both residents and businesses, please visit the Town's COVID-19 webpage www.arnprior.ca/covid.

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