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## PRESS RELEASE

### PREVENTIVE CLOSURE OF THE SPORTS COMPLEX

**Hawkesbury, March 13, 2020** – Following the Eastern Ontario Health Unit directives, the Town of Hawkesbury wishes to notify the public of the preventive closure of the entire Sports Complex (multi room, halls, arena and swimming pool) starting Saturday, March 14, 2020 until a date to be decided later. This preventive action follows measures announced today by the Ministry of Health, which aim to curb the spread of Covid-19. These are precautions to ensure the health and safety of all Hawkesbury's citizens, although no cases have been announced to date. Remember that the schools in Ontario will be closed from March 14 to April 5, 2020.

"As the outbreak of COVID-19 continues to evolve globally, I am asking all Ontarians to immediately take a number of enhanced measures over the coming weeks to protect themselves from COVID-19 and to help mitigate its spread in Ontario," wrote today in a press release Dr. David Williams, MD, MHSc, FRCPS, Chief Medical Officer of Health.

All rental fees will be cancelled for reservations affected by the closure. All cancelled aquatic classes will be credited to your account.

The Town of Hawkesbury put online on its Website a special page dedicated to the Covid-10 epidemic (now classified as a pandemic by the WHO) as soon as January 2020. You can find there daily updates from the Ministry of Health, as well as general guidelines such as precautions, people at risk and relevant details of the Covid-19.

Daily updates on the Town of Hawkesbury's Website : <https://www.hawkesbury.ca/en/living/latest-news-and-notices/coronavirus>

More information about COVID-19 : <https://eohu.ca/en/my-health/2019-novel-coronavirus>

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