

Message from Mayor Rob Keffer:
COVID-19 update – October 2, 2020

With the second wave of COVID-19 now upon us and Ontario reporting its highest ever numbers of new cases per day, residents are being asked to dial back social interactions and increase safety precautions.

BWG's case rate reflects the province-wide increase. There were only three new cases here in the entire first half of September, but since then there have been 28 more cases – 19 in the past week alone.

Premier Ford has announced stricter health measures to help stop the spread of the virus, including limiting close contact once again to people living in your own household and maintaining two metres distance from everyone else. He suggested that people who live alone might consider having close contact with another household to avoid isolation.

There is also now a provincial mandate to wear face coverings in workplaces where physical distancing of two metres or more is not possible, as well as on all public transit and in shopping centres.

I anticipate there will be more news on these restrictions over the next few days as the official orders are released and analyzed, so I encourage you to keep an eye on local media to be sure you are aware of and understand the changes.

Here at the Town of BWG, we will be reviewing the changes and assessing impacts on our plans for reopening recreational facilities and hosting fall events. As always, our main concern is your safety, so while we are looking forward to offering fitness and other programs, we will take all necessary precautions to help prevent the spread of COVID-19.

I thank you for taking care of your own health and protecting others by following these new regulations.

Best,
Rob Keffer