



Innisfil News

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Connecting Our Community

Building community connections and engagement are key features of the *Inspiring Innisfil 2020* community strategic plan. This issue of *Innisfil News* features three important ways community members are contributing ideas and feedback to help reshape Innisfil into 'the place to be by 2020'.

Our Place Innisfil – Updating the Official Plan Together

You're invited to participate in *Our Place Innisfil* and help create a common vision to update the Town of Innisfil's Official Plan. This new community-centred process influences policies about where and how housing, employment, parks, community facilities and other land uses will be developed over the next 20 years. The plan sets out how we will protect and enhance our natural environment, our rural town character, our shoreline, our urban core and communities. It shapes how our neighbourhoods will look and feel in the future, and where our water, sewer, road networks and other infrastructure are put in place.



Share your ideas about the future of Our Place.

Visit innisfil.ca/ourplace for updates, features, questionnaires and stakeholder workshops and meetings. You can also email us at ppentikainen@innisfil.ca with your comments/questions at any time, or follow us on twitter [@townofinnisfil](https://twitter.com/townofinnisfil) [#ourplaceinnisfil](https://twitter.com/ourplaceinnisfil)

Project Active Innisfil Will Reflect Community Vision

Innisfil's parks, recreation, culture and trail services play an important role in our everyday lives. They offer a diverse range of leisure opportunities and help to keep our community active and engaged. The Town is preparing Master Plans to guide the development of these facilities, services, and programs over the next 20 years:

- Recreation & community centres
- Playgrounds & sports fields
- Arts and culture facilities
- Parks and green spaces
- Programs and camps
- Special events
- Beaches and lake access points
- Trails and pathways

Watch for more details at innisfil.ca

Upcoming Events

Project Active Innisfil Parks, Recreation and Culture Master Plan Kick Off!

Saturday, April 18, 2015
2 – 4:30 pm
Innisfil Recreational Complex
Come join us for free swimming, skating and provide **your** input!

Healthy Living Show

Saturday, May 2, 2015
10 am to 3 pm
Innisfil Town Hall

Pitch-In Day

Saturday, May 9, 2015
9 am to noon
Local Fire Stations

TORONTO 2015 Pan Am Games Torch Relay

Innisfil (Day 13 of Route)
Thursday, June 11, 2015
Innisfil Recreational Complex

TORONTO 2015 Pan Am Games Shooting Competition

July 12 to 19, 2015
9 am start
Toronto International Trap & Skeet Club
Toronto2015.org/tickets

Town of Innisfil Regular Council Meetings

Wednesdays @ 7:15 pm at Innisfil Town Hall:
April 8 & 22, May 6 & 20, June 3 & 17, July 8 & 22, August 12, September 2 & 16, October 7 & 21, November 4 & 18, December 9, 2015



Residents Shared Their 'Two Cents' During Budget Consultation

The Town of Innisfil tested a brand new way for community members to share their 'two-cents' during budget consultations. Participants expressed their thoughts and views on how tax dollars should be used through an online process called "We Want Your Two Cents". The feedback and input was reviewed by Innisfil Town Council and staff as part of the Town's budget engagement process.

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VIVA PAN AM INNISFIL!

TORONTO 2015 Pan Am Games Torch Relay

Innisfil is on the route of the 41 day journey of the TORONTO 2015 Pan Am Games Torch Relay! The torch relay begins its journey when the Pan Am flame is lit during a traditional Aztec lighting ceremony at the Pyramid of the Sun in Teotihuacan, Mexico, before landing in Canada on May 30, 2015. More than 130 Ontario communities and five communities outside of Ontario will have the honour of hosting the Pan Am flame during community celebrations, and the

Pan Am flame will arrive at the Innisfil Recreational Complex on Thursday, June 11, 2015. The torch relay will finish in Toronto on July 10, 2015, to light the cauldron at the Opening Ceremony, signifying the start of the TORONTO 2015 Pan Am Games.

Pan Am Competitors Will Set Their Sights on Gold in Innisfil

TORONTO 2015 Pan Am Games competitors in the shooting disciplines of pistol, rifle and shotgun will set their sights on gold at the Toronto International Trap & Skeet Club in Innisfil from July 12 to 19, 2015. See 250 athletes from more than 20 nations compete in this qualifier for the Rio 2016 Olympic Games.

For ticket information, visit Toronto2015.org/tickets.

Conserving a Precious Resource

Water Conservation & Efficiency Strategy

Water is our most precious resource. We all have a part in reducing water use and protecting the future for generations to come. Innisfil's Water Conservation and Efficiency Strategy aims to reduce both Peak Day Demand and Average Day Demand by 10% per person over the next five years. Planning is underway for providing education and outreach programs



to promote water conservation, particularly for school children. Stay tuned for more details on our website.

2015 Resident Parking Permits



The 2015 Resident Parking Permits are available from all Innisfil Library branches, Community Standards Officers, Innisfil Recreational Complex, Stroud-Innisfil Community Centre (Stroud Arena), and South Innisfil Community Centre (Lefroy Arena). You must show proof of residency in Innisfil to obtain up to two parking permits (e.g., tax bill, driver's licence, automobile ownership, hydro bill, gas bill). 2014 permits expire April 30.



Be Water Smart! Do Your Part

This spring and summer, try these outdoor water conservation tips:

Lawn Watering: In the summer, lawn watering and other outdoor uses can account for up to 50 percent of home water use. As a general rule, 2 to 3 cm of water per week is adequate. Use low-angle or pulsating sprinklers that produce large fat droplets of water. Sprinklers that spray the water high into the air or produce a mist or fine spray, lose much of the water through evaporation. Set sprinklers to water the lawn, avoiding sidewalks and driveways. Be sure your hose has an automatic shutoff nozzle.

Planting: Add 5 to 10 cm of organic material, such as peat or compost, to the soil. Greater soil depth will increase the ability of the soil to retain moisture. Use water-wise plants. Native and adaptive plants will use less water and be resistant to local plant diseases and pests.

For more information and events scan the QR code below or visit: www.innisfil.ca.

