

# Town of Greater Napanee

## Council Highlights

Special Meeting of Council for September 16, 2025

### County of Lennox and Addington Litigation Response

Council received a report on the response received from the County of Lennox and Addington regarding housing and homelessness planning requests from the Town. Council authorized staff to offer a fee waiver on Town facilities to allow the County of Lennox and Addington to conduct public consultation with Greater Napanee residents for their own encampment legislation at no cost.

### Differences between Transitional Housing and Rooming Housing

Council received a report outlining the differences between transitional housing and rooming housing. Council directed staff to follow up with PELASS regarding Council questions about the operation of transitional houses and report back. Council also directed staff to bring forward by-laws to create a licensing registry of rooming houses, group homes, and transitional housing units.

### County Affordable Housing Property Follow Up

Council received a report following up on a request from the County of Lennox and Addington regarding a request to be gifted land for an affordable housing development. Staff responded to the County in July of 2025 noting that Council is not in favour of gifting land to the County and noted that Town staff are open to further discussions with the County to find a suitable surplus property that the Town could offer first-right-of-refusal to purchase.

While a response was not received on the letter, the Town's CAO did receive information from County leadership that their intention is to prioritize projects with other lower tier municipalities in Lennox & Addington.

### Encampment Protocol One Year Review

Council received a report on the one-year impact of the Encampment Protocol. The protocol allows Town staff to manage the presence of encampments in public spaces in predictable ways and ensure they do not encroach on core youth recreation spaces. The report recommended not making any changes to the protocol at this point in time, and for staff to continue to monitor and report back on any case law changes regarding encampments on public land. The Town will also begin identifying encampment response costs in the 2026 operating budget.

**Next Regular Session of Council: Tuesday, September 23, 2025**

**This meeting will be live streamed via our [YouTube Channel](#)**



### What's to Come

An Open House hosted by the Market Square Advisory Committee has been rescheduled at Town Hall for October 8th from 6:00 - 8:00 pm to gather community feedback related to the renovation of the main floor at Town Hall.

**Take a Look at the [Agenda and Minutes](#) from the September 16, 2025, Special Session of Council**