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TOWNSHIP OF PUSLINCH LAUNCHES ANNUAL COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT SURVEY FOR THE
TOWNSHIP'S 2027 PROPOSED USER FEES AND CHARGES

PUSLINCH – The Township is inviting residents, businesses, and community members to provide feedback on proposed 2027 User Fees and Charges as part of the Township's annual budget process.

Each year, the Township reviews its User Fees and Charges By-law as one of the first steps in developing the municipal budget. User fees allow the Township to collect revenue directly from those who use or benefit from specific services, helping to offset the costs of providing those services rather than relying solely on property tax revenue.

User fees and charges apply to a range of Township services, including recreational facility rentals, building permits, planning and development applications, dog and kennel licensing, lottery licensing, and open air burn permits.

"Public input is an important part of Council's decision-making process," said Mayor Seeley. "User fees help ensure that the costs associated with providing certain services are shared appropriately between those who use the services and the broader taxpayer. These fees are not intended to fully recover the cost of providing services, but rather operate as a co-pay system, with the Township continuing to subsidize a portion of the costs. This approach helps balance affordability for users with fairness to the broader community and supports the long-term financial sustainability of Township services. I encourage residents to review the proposed fees and provide their feedback as we begin the 2027 Budget process."

The 2027 User Fees and Charges Engagement Survey will be available on EngagePuslinch.ca until September 28, 2026, at 12:00 p.m.

The Township will also hold a Public Information Meeting on September 16, 2026, at 6:30 p.m. at the Municipal Office, located at 7404 Wellington Road 34, with an option to participate electronically through Zoom. The meeting will provide an opportunity for the public to ask questions and provide comments directly to Council regarding the proposed 2027 User Fees and Charges.

The Township encourages everyone to review the proposed fees and participate in the survey. Feedback received through the engagement process will help inform Council's consideration of the 2027 User Fees and Charges By-law.

The Township thanks all participants for contributing to this important first step in the 2027 Budget process.

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