



HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE ADDENDUM

Thursday, February 25, 2021 at 1:00 p.m.

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REPORT

6. HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES – February 25, 2021 – ITEM #6

Dufferin Vaccination Clinic Planning (Report 1)

A report from the Chief Administrative Officer, dated February 25, 2021, to provide the committee and Council with information about COVID 19 vaccination planning for Dufferin County.

Recommendation

THAT the report from the Chief Administrative Officer, titled Dufferin Vaccination Clinic Planning (Report 1), dated February 25, 2021 be received.

As Listed
on Agenda

REPORT TO COMMITTEE

To: Chair Ryan and Members of Health and Human Services Committee

From: Sonya Pritchard, Chief Administrative Officer

Meeting Date: February 25, 2021

Subject: **Dufferin Vaccination Clinic Planning (Report 1)**

In Support of Strategic Plan Priorities and Objectives:

Good Governance – ensure transparency, clear communication, prudent financial management

Inclusive and supportive community – support efforts to address current and future needs for a livable community

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to provide the committee and Council with information about COVID 19 vaccination planning for Dufferin County.

Background & Discussion

Vaccination clinic planning has been underway across Ontario for many months. As vaccine roll out gets to the community level, collaboration with public health, local health care providers, municipalities and community stakeholders is vital for success. Over the past several weeks, County staff have been assisting to bring stakeholders together in order to form a clear picture of what resources are required, from municipalities in particular, in support of the public health effort. A weekly meeting with Public Health and the CAOs from Wellington, Dufferin, and Guelph is in place to allow for information sharing and improved planning.

At the time of writing of this report, the general vaccination plan for Dufferin County consists of a mass vaccination site at the Alder Recreation Centre in Orangeville, a pop-up vaccination site at the Mel Lloyd Centre in Shelburne, use of the public health office in Orangeville, hospital clinics, and with time Family Health team in-office vaccinations.

As part of the overall planning process additional locations have been identified as potential pop-up clinic locations that can be established at the request of public health officials. Activation of these sites would be based on the needs of the community, the availability of vaccine and clinical staffing availability.

The mass vaccination site in Orangeville is intended to vaccinate 1000-2500 people per day once vaccine supply is available. While initially forecasted to be operational by March 15, through the hard work and high level of cooperation and coordination between Town of Orangeville, Public Health and County staff the space will be ready to host the first vaccination clinic on March 3, 2021. The initial clinic is aiming to vaccinate about 300 people from the Phase 1 priority groups. Information with respect to vaccine eligibility and registration is available on the Wellington Dufferin Guelph Public Health website. Details around timing for vaccine rollout to different populations and specific clinic dates will be provided by Public Health.

Financial, Staffing, Legal, or IT Considerations

County staff are working in collaboration with Public Health, Town of Orangeville staff, the Dufferin Area Family Health Team, Headwaters Health Care Centre, Ontario Health and other stakeholders to support vaccination clinic planning.

The County Emergency Management Coordinator is playing a key role in bringing the necessary organizations together. County IT support for at the mass vaccination site at the Alder arena includes providing 30 computers for use and ongoing technical support when necessary. Where possible County staff will also assist on site with vaccination clinics. For example: 4 staff are assisting clients to navigate their way through the pop-up clinic at the Mel Lloyd Centre in Shelburne on February 25, 2021.

The County is actively engaged with local stakeholders to distribute information that will ensure the public remains informed of the vaccination roll-out and other public health measures to reduce risk. The Clerk is currently participating in weekly communication meetings with Public Health.

Planning and preparation for additional vaccination clinics, as well as any resurgence of the virus and its variants, is ongoing.

Recommendation

THAT the report from the Chief Administrative Officer, titled Dufferin Vaccination Clinic Planning (Report 1), dated February 25, 2021 be received.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Sonya Pritchard
Chief Administrative Officer