

PETERBOROUGH



Running as a mayoral candidate?

**Learn about your potential duties as a
Peterborough County Councillor.**

About Peterborough County

Peterborough County is located on the traditional territory of the Mississauga Anishinaabeg and is home to Curve Lake & Hiawatha First Nations communities. Peterborough County is an upper tier municipality representing eight local municipalities and serving a population of approximately 64,000 residents plus a large seasonal population distributed over an area of 4,000 square kilometres.



Our Vision

Working together with our townships and service delivery partners to provide high quality municipal services to our communities.

Peterborough County is responsible for delivering and supporting a wide range of regional public services, including:

- Transportation Infrastructure – Over 700 km of roads and 150+ bridges and culverts
- Land Use Planning & Development Services
- GIS mapping & Information Technology
- Emergency Services – Paramedic (EMS), Community Paramedicine, public health, and long-term care partnerships
- Economic Development & Tourism
- Waste Management & Sustainability Stewardship
- Social Services, Housing, and Childcare Support (in collaboration with City partners)



Role Overview

Peterborough County Council is made up of the Mayor and Deputy Mayor of its 8 member municipalities. County Council meets twice a month to receive delegations, reports from staff and committees, and to make decisions regarding the delivery of services to residents.

Peterborough County's Head of Council is the Warden. The Warden of the County is elected by their peers on County Council for a term of two years. The Warden appoints a Deputy Warden from interested peers on County Council. The role of the Warden is to: act as chief executive officer of the municipality; preside over council meetings so that its business can be carried out efficiently and effectively; provide leadership to the council; represent the County at official functions; and carry out the duties of the head of council.

Key Responsibilities

- **Council:** Attend approximately 20 regular council meetings per year.
- **Committees:** Council appoints members to serve on approximately 24 agencies, boards and committees.
- **Review materials:** Prepare by reading agendas, reports and seeking clarity from CAO before meetings.
- **Decision-making:** Vote on key initiatives such as budget allocations, policy changes, and strategic priorities.
- **Advocacy & Representation:** To Provincial & Federal Governments and represent the County at community events, conferences, etc.



Time Commitment

- **Meetings:** 3-10 hours per month
- **Preparation:** 2-5 hours per month
- **Term Length:** 4 Years
- **Conferences:** Opportunity to attend one conference annually on behalf of the County.
- **Warden & Deputy Warden:** Attend additional meetings such as Eastern Ontario Wardens Caucus (bi-monthly), Eastern Ontario Regional Network (monthly), and attend several community functions each month (approx. 25 hours a month in addition to regular Council meetings).

Remuneration Information

- **Warden:** \$65,019.00*
- **Deputy Warden:** \$29,192.00*
- **Councillors:** \$24,677.00*
- **Per Diem rate** more than 4 hours of \$200*
- **Half Diem rate** less than 4 hours of \$100*
- **Benefits:** Critical illness and Accidental Death/Dismemberment for Eligible Members.

*based on 2025 remuneration (currently under review)

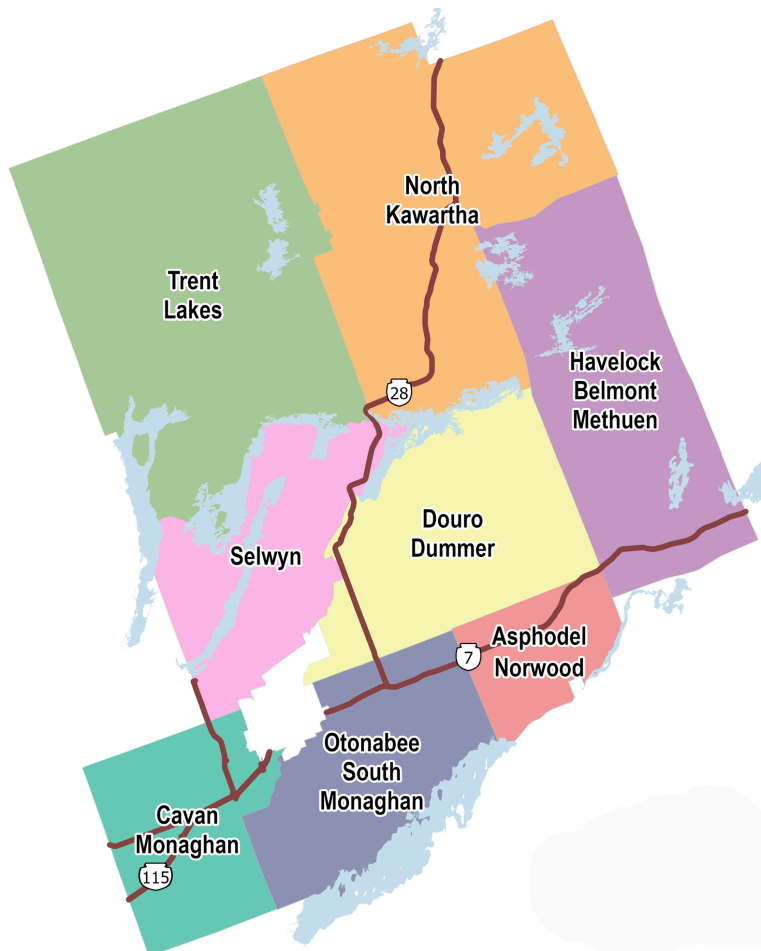


Expectations

County Councillors have the same legal and ethical obligations as local municipal Councillors. They are responsible for representing the public, developing policies, maintaining financial integrity, and ensuring the accountability of municipal operations in accordance with the Municipal Act, the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act, Municipal Code of Conduct and the Procedural By-law.

Councillors are expected to act with professionalism, collaboration and active participation. In addition, County councillors must approach decision-making with a County-wide perspective, focusing on the collective interests of all member municipalities rather than the priorities of any single Township.

Benefits to County Council include leadership experience, networking opportunities and direct impact on organizational success.



Agencies, Boards and Committees of Council

- Accessibility Advisory Committee (1 Councillor)
- Awards and Bursaries Committee (Warden + 4 Councillors)
- Climate Action Advisory Committee (1 Councillor)
- Economic Development Advisory Committee (Warden + 3 Councillors)
- Finance Committee (3 Councillors)
- Greater Peterborough Joint Services Committee (Warden + 3 Councillors)
- Lang Pioneer Village Museum Advisory Committee (Warden + 1 Councillor)
- Nominating Committee (Warden, Immediate Past Warden + 3 Councillors)
- Land Division Committee (Warden + 4 Councillors)
- Planning Advisory Committee (2 Councillors)
- Public Hearing Representative on Planning matters (2 Councillors)
- Warden's Advisory Committee (Warden, Deputy Warden, Immediate Past Warden + 1 or 2 Councillors)
- Waste Management Committee (4 Councillors)
- Joint City / County Waste Management Committee (Warden + 2 Councillors)

Local Boards

- Fairhaven Board of Directors (2 Councillors)
- Lakelands Public Health (Warden + 1 Councillors)

Agencies and External Committees

- Age-Friendly Peterborough Advisory Committee (1 Councillor)
- Peterborough County Federation of Agriculture (1 Councillor)
- Peterborough Housing Committee (Warden's delegate)

Other Ad Hoc Committees, Subcommittees and Working Groups

- Airport Strategic Initiatives Committee (1 Councillor)
- Consolidated Municipal Services Management Working Group (2 Councillors)
- Lang Museum transition Committee (3 Councillors)
- New Administration Building Working Group (2 Councillors)
- Trent-County Liaison Committee (2 Councillors)

Meet the CAO



The Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) is responsible for the administration and operation of Peterborough County, and reports to County Council. The CAO is the most senior, non-elected officer for the County and is charged with exercising general control and management of the affairs of the corporation in accordance with County Council direction, the Strategic Plan and policy.

Peterborough County's Chief Administrative Officer (CAO), is Sheridan Graham. She provides leadership and management to the Corporation as well as advice to Council.

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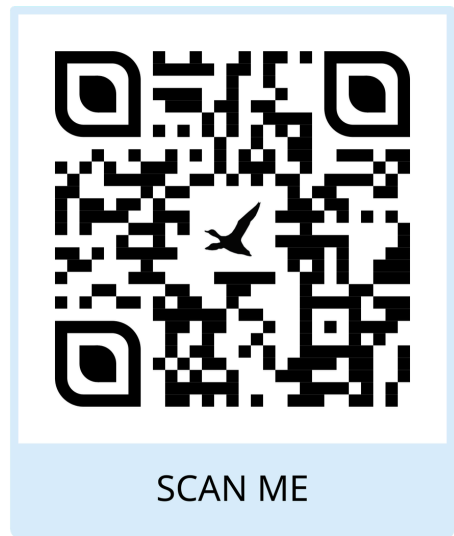
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Our Website
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