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## **NEW TO HALTON HILLS? CONTACT THE TOWN FOR A KEY TO THE COMMUNITY**

**HALTON HILLS, ON** – The Town Sustainability Implementation Committee (TSIC) announced its latest initiative: a welcome package for new residents of Halton Hills! The welcome package will support new residents in getting settled and integrated into the community. A letter of greeting is included in the package along with a memory key to link directly to the Town’s welcome webpage, filled with useful information about living in Halton Hills. The key also has extra memory capacity for personal storage.

Mayor Rick Bonnette, Chairperson of the TSIC, noted that, “We want to make the transition to Halton Hills easy for people and understanding the many amenities available locally is a big part of that. From beautiful parks, to cultural opportunities to knowing where to shop or even where to access medical support – these are all important facets to making the move to a new community a happy and memorable experience.”

TSIC members lead projects that implement the Community Sustainability Strategy that provides direction on decisions that move the community to a higher quality of life. The Town views sustainability through four pillars: cultural vibrancy, economic prosperity, environmental health and social wellbeing.

The welcome package is the fourth initiative completed by this term of the TSIC. Other projects include:

- A Block Party Kit to encourage residents to get to know their neighbours;
- An investigative report on the variety of successful community hubs and;
- A report on community street trees that will contribute to the Climate Change Adaptation Plan currently being undertaken by the Town.

The welcome package relates to the social wellbeing pillar of sustainability and supports the long-term community vision which reads:

*‘In 2060, the urban and rural communities of Halton Hills balance economic prosperity with a deep commitment to the natural environment, while retaining viable local agriculture and small-town feel, and being socially equitable, culturally vibrant and strongly connected.’*

If you are new to Halton Hills and interested in receiving a welcome package, contact the Office of Sustainability at 905-873-2601, ext. 2290 or email [sustainability@haltonhills.ca](mailto:sustainability@haltonhills.ca). To view the new Town of Halton Hills welcome webpage visit: [www.haltonhills.ca/welcome/index.php](http://www.haltonhills.ca/welcome/index.php).

### **About the Town of Halton Hills**

The Town of Halton Hills, with a population of approximately 60,000, consists of two urban centres, Georgetown and Acton, with three hamlets – Glen Williams, Stewarttown and Norval – and several smaller settlements. Halton Hills has long been recognized for its natural beauty, active agricultural community, high quality of life and proximity to major centres, including Brampton, Mississauga and Toronto. The Town is ranked as one of the top small communities in Canada by a national magazine.

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