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Smart Commute Halton recognizes the Town with Gold Workplace designation

HALTON HILLS, ON – For the third consecutive year, the Town of Halton Hills has received the Smart Commute Gold Workplace designation from Metrolinx and Smart Commute Halton. Smart Commute is a transportation demand management program that focuses on reducing traffic congestion, improving air quality, providing more sustainable travel options and reducing commuting costs.

The Gold Workplace designation recognizes the Town as an outstanding workplace that demonstrates innovation, focuses on measuring successes and achieves significant positive outcomes when promoting alternate modes of transportation other than single vehicle occupancy.



The Town, as an employer, encourages sustainable transportation options for commuters through its participation in the Smart Commute program. These options include: carpooling, cycling, providing sheltered bike lockers throughout the community, using GO Transit when possible and walking.

"Thank you to Smart Commute and Metrolinx for recognizing the Town with a Gold Workplace designation that recognizes our support for using more sustainable commuting options than driving alone. Town employees recognize the importance of taking practical actions to lowering their carbon footprint on the environment," said Mayor Rick Bonnette.

To date, through a network of 13 offices in the Greater Toronto and Hamilton Area, Smart Commute is currently working with 325 workplaces representing more than 706,000 employees and post-secondary students.

The Town has proudly participated in the Smart Commute program since 2011 and the program relates to many initiatives that are being implemented such as: the Green Plan, Community Sustainability Strategy and the Community Energy Plan. The initiatives aim to improve air quality and reduce greenhouse gas emissions in our community. They also support more active lifestyles by promoting walking and cycling.

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, the Halton Hills Premier Gateway employment area, 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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