

## New features coming to Caledon East Community Complex

Written By JOSHUA SANTOS

The Caledon East Community Complex will undergo a major expansion this year.

Caledon Town Council approved \$2.8 million in this year's budget to start the construction of a new gym, fitness centre, walking track and community room. The whole project is expected to cost \$10.7 million.

"Caledon East Community Complex is located within a growing community that is centrally located in Caledon," said Parm Chohan, communications advisor for strategic initiatives at the Town of Caledon. "Expansion plans for this Complex have been in place for several years. This complex will service not only the residents in Caledon East but also surrounding rural areas.

Town Council passed a 5.79 per cent local increase in the budget with taxpayers facing a 2.66 per cent blended increase. The Town estimates that homeowners of a house valued at \$590,000 will see a yearly increase of \$131.82.

Of that aforementioned \$10.7 million price tag, Chohan said \$9 million will go to development charges with \$1.7 million to taxes. The whole project will be funded over a period of four years.

"Design work was approved in the 2018 Budget at \$0.4 million," said Chohan. "Development charges are collected from developers and used to pay for infrastructure, such as new recreational facilities, required to service the growth."

He said areas of the original complex will be modernized in addition to the expansion.

Construction will now be tendered throughout 2019 with an anticipation date for work to begin later in the year or in early 2020.

22 municipalities since 2015.

In the first year of the pilot, more than 28,000 people used the new services to make more than 105,000 trips.

At this time, GO Transit operates three routes, both with GO train connections. Route 37, Orangeville to Brampton via Highway 10 runs on peak hours, route 38, Bolton to Malton runs all day and route 38A Bolton to North York runs during peak times.

Brampton Transit operates four buses in town and one in Caledon. 30 Airport Rd. to Tullamore runs all day, 7 Kennedy operates all day, 24 Van Kirk runs during peak periods, 15/15A Bramalea runs all day and 31 MacVean operates all day.