

Caledon seeks public's input ahead of Budget process

Budget "one of the most important responsibilities of Council," says Mayor

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As Council returns from its summer recess, focus will soon turn to the development of the 2025 Budget "and the Town wants to hear from you.

Public input on the Town's 2025 Budget is now being sought through Monday, September 30, via the Town's engagement portal at haveyoursaycaledon.ca/budget2025.

The online survey is looking for feedback on how residents have been impacted by inflation, including utility costs, home expenses and supplies, groceries, childcare and education, and recreation; how residents rank Town services in order of importance; municipal services residents think should have a greater or lesser financial investment, or status quo; and ranking the guiding principles of Enhanced Transportation and Mobility, Community Vitality and Livability, Environmental Leadership, and Service Excellence and Accountability.

"The Budget is one of the most important responsibilities for Council and the municipality," said Mayor Annette Groves in a statement. "It is a reflection of Caledon's priorities and values. Your feedback is crucial to ensuring we allocate resources in a way that truly reflects the needs and aspirations of our residents. Please take a moment to complete the survey and together we can build Caledon's future."

Added Robert Cummings, Caledon's Commissioner of Finance and Chief Financial Officer: "Moving into the back-half of the year, our team continues to develop and review our financial plans to continue to build off our momentum. We recognize the importance of community input and encourage everyone in Caledon to share their feedback. By participating in the survey, residents and businesses can play a key role in helping us create a budget that delivers the best of rural and urban life for all of Caledon."