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## **MEDIA RELEASE**

### **Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19)**

**(Parry Sound, ON. – March 23, 2020)**

In light of the current COVID-19 global pandemic, the Town of Parry Sound will be implementing the following precautionary measures to help mitigate the spread of COVID-19 by implementing additional closures for the protection of our staff, residents and our community by limiting exposure to others:

#### **Parks - Playgrounds and Play Equipment Closed - Parks remain open**

Effective March 23, 2020 and until further notice. The Town of Parry Sound is taking further steps in order to protect the public by closing playgrounds and play equipment.

Town staff are posting signs on playground structures throughout the community advising people that these amenities are closed until further notice.

Parks, trails and green spaces are open to the public for those practicing appropriate physical/social distancing.

The Town of Parry Sound continues to work closely with the North Bay Parry Sound District Health Unit, the West Parry Sound Health Centre, West Parry Sound Area Municipalities, and Community partners to monitor the COVID-19 (Novel Coronavirus) situation and respond appropriately.

We encourage everyone to stay informed by learning about the virus and what you can do to protect yourself, your family and your neighbours and to prevent the virus from spreading.

Additional information will be made available on the Town of Parry Sound website, [www.parrysound.ca/coronavirus](http://www.parrysound.ca/coronavirus), and through our social media accounts as it becomes available.

For up to date information about the virus please refer to the following websites:

North Bay Parry Sound District Health Unit – [www.myhealthunit.ca](http://www.myhealthunit.ca)

Ontario Ministry of Health – [www.ontario.ca/coronavirus](http://www.ontario.ca/coronavirus)

Public Health Agency of Canada – [www.canada.ca/coronavirus](http://www.canada.ca/coronavirus)

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