



MEMORANDUM

To: All Town of Essex Candidates
From: Town Clerk/Returning Officer
Date: September 1, 2022
Re: Prohibition on Campaigning at 2022 Harrow Fair

Back in the 2018 Municipal Election there appeared to be confusion by various candidates concerning campaign activities and the application of the Town's Election policies and By-laws at and during the Harrow Fair.

As you know we have for the 2022 election a new *Prohibition on the use of Corporate Resources* policy (the "Policy") and a new *Election Sign By-law*. (By-law 2028)

AS A RESULT THIS IS A REMINDER THAT CAMPAIGN ACTIVITIES AT THE 2022 HARROW FAIR ARE PROHIBITED.

The property upon which the Harrow Fair takes place is deemed by the Policy to be a Town Facility (see the following excerpts from the Policy):

- During the Election period Town Facilities which includes town buildings, structures (for e.g. gateway signs), or any real or intangible property of any kind whatsoever may not be used for Campaign related activities or used to display any campaign related material on or in any campaign related material.

- Town Facilities means any real or intangible property owned, operated or otherwise under the control of the Town of Essex including its buildings and infrastructure and shall be deemed for the purposes of this policy to include any town hosted or sponsored events regardless if such event(s) are being hosted or held on Town property or not.
- Campaign or Campaign Activity means any work, effort, activity or thing intending to influence persons to vote for or against any Candidate or any question or by-law submitted to the electors in an election.

Please be advised that details of any confirmed violations of the Policy at the 2022 Harrow Fair will be posted on the Town's election website (available for voter/public information under "Candidate violations" at <https://elections.essex.ca/en/frequently-asked-questions/election-principles/>) and additionally the violation may subject the candidate to such further sanctions as may be reasonably determined by the Municipal Clerk/Election Returning Officer

Respectfully.

The Corporation of the Town of Essex

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'RW Auger', written in a cursive style.

RW Auger ,Town Solicitor/Clerk & Returning Officer for the 2022 Municipal Election