

Information Report



Service Area	Infrastructure, Development and Enterprise Services
Date	Friday, September 11, 2020
Subject	2020 Corporate Environmental Sustainability Report

Executive Summary

Purpose of Report

To introduce the first annual Corporate Environmental Sustainability (CES) report which summarizes the City of Guelph's environmental sustainability performance in an open, concise and accessible manner.

Key Findings

The 2020 Corporate Environmental Sustainability report has been presented through this information report and is posted on the City website.

The CES report focuses on several key environmental service areas:

- Energy and Climate Change
- Solid Waste Resources
- Urban Forest and Natural Heritage
- Wastewater Services
- Water Services

The report is aligned with the Sustaining Our Future Strategic Plan pillar. The report helps establish regular communication and tracking of environmental and sustainability performance, which will help support the development of organizational engagement and community awareness.

Financial Implications

None

Report

Details

The Corporation of the City of Guelph incorporates environmental sustainability throughout its various operations and services. As such, an annual Corporate Environmental Sustainability (CES) report has been prepared to provide information to the community on these efforts in an open and accessible manner.

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- Solid Waste Resources
- Urban Forest and Natural Heritage
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- Water Services

The purpose of the CES report is to:

- Make environmental sustainability performance information accessible to the community
- Publish key environmental metrics and indicators
Establish baseline metrics
- Demonstrate continuous improvement efforts with project highlights in the past year
- Provide annual updates on the City's progress towards environmental sustainability targets (future editions)
- Meet and exceed Ontario Regulation 507/18 reporting requirements (Energy and Climate Change section only)

Financial Implications

None

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Strategic Plan Alignment

The CES report is a means to track performance and an important mechanism for the continuous improvement of several key environmental service areas. It is aligned with the Sustaining Our Future Strategic Plan pillar. The report helps establish regular communication and tracking of environmental and sustainability performance, which will help support the development of organizational engagement and community awareness.

Attachments

Attachment-1 2020 Corporate Environmental Sustainability Report

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