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**To: Members of Council**  
**From: Councillor Pat Dunn**  
**Date: April 24, 2018**  
**Subject: Mandatory Connection**

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## **Background:**

First I would like to thank the COKL Public Works Staff for assisting me in preparing this memo, without their assistance it would not be as complete as it is.

Commencing in 2016 thru 2017 Staff undertook a pilot project for the enforcement of mandatory municipal water and wastewater connections within Fenelon Falls in accordance with Bylaw 2014-255, being a Bylaw to Require Owners of Buildings to Connect Such Buildings to Drinking Water and/or Wastewater Collection Systems in the City of Kawartha Lakes.

During this pilot project concerns were identified by affected residents, and Council with Staff's assistance, offered relief to property owners on an individual short term basis.

While the pilot project was underway, Staff also brought a recommendation to Council regarding recovery of the fixed and capital portions of the user rate from the residents that qualify under the requirements of By-Law 2014-255. Council adopted the following resolution:

### **10.3.18 WWW2017-005**

**Amber Hayter, Supervisor. Water and Wastewater Operations**  
**Mandatory Connections Compliance and User Rate Cost Recovery**

**CR2017-643**  
**Moved By Councillor Elmslie**  
**Seconded By Councillor Yeo**

**That** staff be directed to prepare the necessary amendment to Bylaw 2014-255, A Bylaw To require Owners Of Buildings to Connect Such Buildings To Drinking Water Systems And/Or Wastewater Collection Systems In The City Of Kawartha Lakes, to

begin charging qualifying properties the Fixed Rates and Capital Levy for Water and/or Sewer as per Bylaw 2011-260 following (3) months' written notice.

As the by-law and program are applicable city-wide, and written notices have been sent, resident concerns have been raised.

The Fenelon Falls pilot project has come to an end and it is an appropriate time to have staff provide an update to Council on the pilot project results.

**Recommendation to Council:**

**That** the memo from Councillor Dunn entitled "Mandatory Connection" dated April 24, 2018 be received;

**That** Staff be directed to review the impact and results of implementation of Resolution CR2017-643 and report their findings to Council;

**That** Staff be directed to provide a report updating Council on the results of the Pilot Project for Mandatory Connections in Fenelon Falls and a review of alternatives for addressing physical connection requirements outlined in By-Law 2014-255; and

**That** Staff report to Council no later than the end of Q3, 2018.

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