

## Clean Up and Restore Omemee Beach

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**Petition Request:** We the undersigned petition the Council of the City of Kawartha Lakes to:

- Remove and clean up the unkept plantings in the middle of the sand area;
- Clean up the overgrown shoreline;
- Maintain and add new sand to the existing beach; and
- Clearly mark the swimming area with proper buoys.

**Petition Background:**

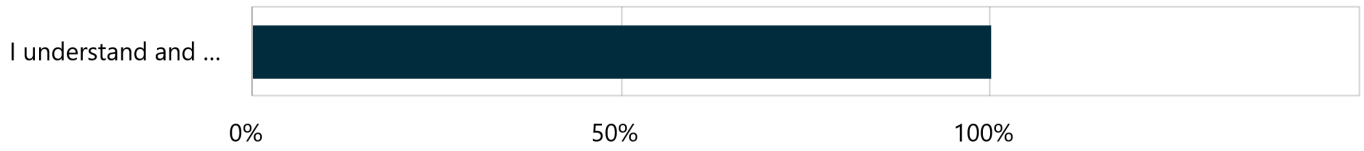
I write not just as a regular citizen, but as someone who grew up surrounded by the beauty of our community beach in Omemee. Countless summer holidays were spent basking in the sun, perfecting my swimming strokes alongside my friends. This beach was more than a spot for relaxation; it was the lifeblood of our community, a magnet for families and swimmers alike. Today, however, that picture of bustling youthful activity and community engagement is painted over by the dismal reality of unkept brush, overgrown shorelines, and ever-invasive weeds. The once-clear marked swimming area is gone, stolen along with the laughter and cheer that used to echo on our beloved beach. It doesn't have to be this way. Clean, accessible, and well-maintained public parks and beaches are not just wishful thinking. In fact, they contribute to public health and community cohesion. A study conducted by The Trust For Public Land found that quality parks and beach spaces support physical activity, improve mental health, and foster community connection. (Trust for Public Land, 2020) Our beach falls within the purview of your municipal government, and it's their undertaking to ensure public areas like our beach are maintained, for the good of all residents and visitors. It's time to bring back the ethos of communal leisure and outdoor enjoyment that once dominated our beach. Let's petition the local authorities and demand a comprehensive restoration and cleanup of our community beach. Enable future generations to create memories and form relationships in a clean, safe environment. It's time we restore the beach to its former glory, for the future of Omemee. Please add your signature to support this initiative. Thank you

**Petition Organizer:** J. Patterson of Omemee, ON

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Multi Choice | Skipped: 0 | Answered: 21 (100%)



Answer choices	Percent	Count
I understand and agree.	100.00%	21