

Subject: Environmental protection bylaw amendment
2020

Recommendation:

THAT Committee receive Report #2020-0025 and recommend to Council:

THAT council approves the amendment to the environmental protection bylaw 3357 (2013) at the March 23rd, 2020 regular meeting of council.

Background:

In 2013 staff developed an environmental protection bylaw to address the movement of fill within the Town of Pelham. Bylaw 3357 (2013) was approved by council and has been in effect since 2013.

Analysis:

Due to the amount of development within the Town, staff has been tasked with processing a high number of fill applications. Anyone applying to bring in fill is required to complete an application which details the original location of the fill and the final destination. In some cases bylaw requires soil test documents to confirm the cleanliness of the fill as well as a site visit from an officer. Bylaw has discovered that fill from outside the region is extremely difficult to control and to verify its cleanliness, this amendment will prevent any fill from outside the region of Niagara to be brought into the Town of Pelham.

Financial Considerations:

There are no direct costs associated with this report.

Alternatives Reviewed:

None

Strategic Plan Relationship: Grow Revenue - Promote Cultural Assets and Protect Environment

Ensuring that only clean, local fill enters. The Town will reduce or eliminate potential environmental contamination.

Consultation:

Bylaw officers, Director of Public works.

Other Pertinent Reports/Attachments:

None

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