

# Shantz Station Pit UPDATE

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A newsletter for the community about the proposed Shantz Station Pit

## PRESENTING TO TOWNSHIP COUNCIL

Capital Paving's project manager George Lourenco and one of its planning consultants, Brian Zeman, were pleased to present highlights of the Shantz Station Pit proposal to Woolwich Township Council last month, and to hear comments from members of the community.

As Capital has previously indicated in individual letters and in its newsletters, George invites members of the community to contact him to set up personal meetings to discuss issues and concerns about the pit application. His contact information is below.

## PITS NEAR VILLAGES, SCHOOLS AND GOLF COURSES

Among the concerns frequently raised at the Township meeting is the proximity of the proposed pit to the village of Maryhill, St. John's Kilmarnock School and the Merry-Hill Golf Club. There are many instances of pits and quarries that co-exist in close proximity to villages, schools and golf courses across southern Ontario. At right are some examples.

Operators in Ontario are only permitted to apply for aggregate licences in rural areas – areas which often accommodate “non-rural” land uses such as housing settlements, schools and recreational facilities. Furthermore, those operators can only consider locating pits and quarries in rural areas where:

- there is an adequate supply of good quality aggregate
- aggregate extraction is not prohibited by legislation such as parts of the Niagara Escarpment Plan and Oak Ridges Moraine Conservation Plan
- aggregate extraction is not restricted by features including environmentally sensitive areas, and those areas with provincially significant wetlands, woodlands and valley lands.

## NEXT STEPS IN THE APPLICATION PROCESS

Capital's consultants' reports have been submitted to Woolwich Township and the Region of Waterloo for their independent review. The reviews are expected to take several months. As part of its commitment to openness and transparency, Capital will share the details of the Township and Region's technical reviews once they are finalized. All of Capital's technical reports are posted on the Shantz Station Pit website for public viewing.

### Villages within 1 kilometre of aggregate operations:

- Erin
- Paris
- Aberfoyle
- Goodwood
- Thamesford
- Caledon Village
- Ingersoll
- Hagersville
- Grand Valley
- St. Marys

### Schools within 1 kilometre of aggregate operations:

- Aberfoyle Public School
- Ayr Public School
- College Heights Secondary School, Guelph
- Hagersville Secondary School
- Spencer Valley Public School, Dundas,
- New Dundee Public School
- Southwood Secondary School, Cambridge
- Cedar Hollow Public School, London
- E.L. Crossly Secondary School, Fonthill

### Golf courses adjacent to aggregate operations:

- Peninsula Lakes Golf Club, Fenwick
- Fanshawe Golf Course, London
- Eagle Creek Golf Club, Dunrobin
- Greystone Golf Club, Milton
- Whistle Bear Golf Club, Cambridge
- Eagle Valley Golf Club, Niagara Falls
- Royal Niagara Golf Club, Niagara-on-the-Lake
- Burlington Springs Golf Club, Burlington
- Dundee Country Club, New Dundee
- Bloomington Downs Golf Course, Richmond Hill
- Hawk Ridge Golf & Country Club, Severn
- Fox Glen Golf Club, McGregor