

Dear Property Owner

Your 2014 final property tax bill is enclosed with this notice. The total amount is payable in two installments due on August 15, 2014 and October 17, 2014. The interim tax installments, mailed in January, were due on February 21, 2014 and May 16, 2014. Your property tax bill is comprised of taxes levied by the Town of Collingwood, the County of Simcoe, and the Provincial education levies.

The Town sets the tax rates for the Town's portion of the bill only. The County of Simcoe establishes the tax rates and solid waste management charges for the County portion, and the Province of Ontario establishes the education tax rates.

The education portion of your tax bill is about 16% of the total. The County portion, (including garbage collection) is about 24%. The portion collected for municipal services is about 60%.

Your property value assessment and the names and addresses of the persons assessed, identified on your tax bill, are in accordance with the Assessment Roll. This Roll was prepared by the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC), and is based on a January 1, 2012 valuation date, with any increase in assessed value being phased in over a four-year period. If you have any questions regarding your Current Value Assessment, please contact MPAC at 1-877-331-7766 or mpac.ca.

Penalties and interest

To avoid penalty and interest charges, the payment **must** be received by the Tax Department on or before the due date. A penalty charge of 1.25% may be added on the first day of default. Interest will be added at the rate of 1.25% on the first day of each month for as long as the account is outstanding.


Council and Town staff do not have the authority to waive or alter a penalty and/or interest charge for any reason. Failure to receive a tax bill does not excuse a taxpayer from the responsibility for payment of the taxes nor relieve the owner of the liability for the penalty or interest due to the late payment.

Contact your Council

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Deputy Mayor Rick Lloyd rlloyd@collingwood.ca 705-445-2071
Councillor Mike Edwards medwards@collingwood.ca 705-441-5037
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Councillor Ian Chadwick ichadwick@collingwood.ca 705-444-1492
Councillor Keith Hull khull@collingwood.ca 705-444-4855
Councillor Dale West dwest@collingwood.ca 705-444-4953
Councillor Sandy Cunningham scunningham@collingwood.ca 705-445-5064
Councillor Joe Gardhouse jgardhouse@collingwood.ca 705-445-5640

Change of address or new owner

The Town will issue tax bills to the mailing address provided by your solicitor, or to the address indicated on the transfer deed. If a mailing address has not been specified, the tax bill will be sent to the property address. **If you wish to change your mailing address, you must notify the Tax Department in writing or email finance@collingwood.ca**



Collingwood Waterfront Festival
Featuring the U.S. Brig Niagara
August 15-17, 2014
Collingwood Waterfront Promenade
www.collingwood.ca/tallships

Pre-authorized Payment Plans

For more information on pre-authorized payment plans for municipal property taxes, please contact the Finance Department at finance@collingwood.ca or 705-445-1030 Ext. 3232.



2014

Taxpayer Information

The 2014 budget includes several important projects for the Town, including:

- 4th and 5th Street bridge rehabilitation
- Huron/First/Hurontario intersection improvements
- Initiation of Hume Street reconstruction
- Top priorities of:
 - Business Development Centre
 - Governance review
 - Organizational review
 - Strategic financial plan



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www.collingwood.ca
townhall@collingwood.ca
705-445-1030



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October 27, 2014 Municipal Election

Have your say and vote in the upcoming municipal election this fall! Collingwood will be utilizing a mail-in ballot for the October 27, 2014 Election.

Confirm your eligibility to vote by visiting collingwood.ca/election where you can confirm and/or update your preliminary electoral information in a few easy steps. Updating this information will help to ensure that the Voters' List is accurate and up-to-date.

Get Involved!

Did you know you can run for Council if you are Canadian, 18 years of age or older, and reside in Collingwood? Learn more about running for Council at collingwood.ca/election.

Important Dates

September 12, 2014

Nomination period closes at 2:00 p.m.

September 2 - October 27, 2014

Voters' List revision period. Please visit collingwood.ca/election or contact Clerk Services to verify your information provided on the Voters' List is correct. In order to receive your ballot in the mail, please confirm your information by September 18, 2014.

October 2, 2014 - October 27, 2014

Vote by Mail kits will be mailed out to Collingwood electors starting October 2 and can be returned to Town Hall at any time up to 8:00 p.m. on October 27, 2014. If returning your ballot by mail, please make sure it's in the mail by October 18 to ensure it's received by close of election.

Monday, October 27, 2014

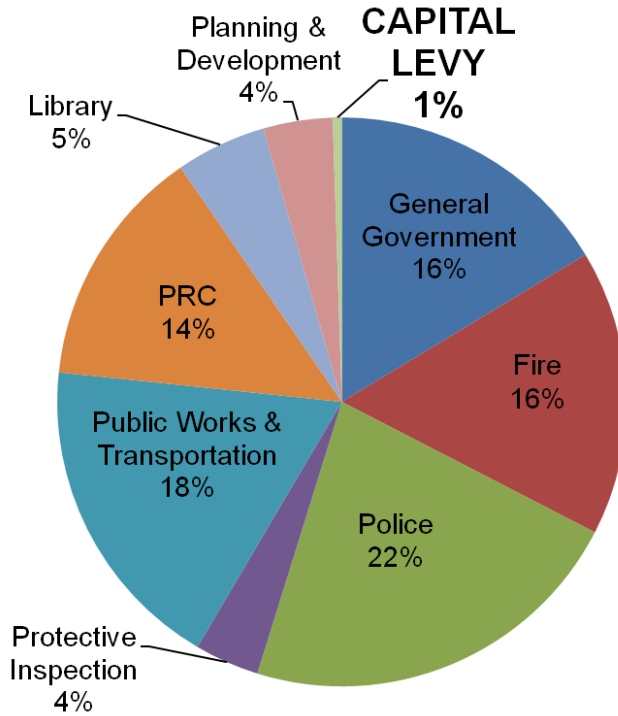
Election Day



Tax Dollar Breakdown

Based on a sample home assessed at \$200,000, the total taxes payable will be \$2,526.31, broken down as follows:

- Education levy \$ 406.00
- County levy \$ 608.00
- Town levy \$1,512.32



Important Numbers

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR	705-445-8451
TOWN HALL	705-445-1030
Finance Department	Ext. 3232
PARKS, REC & CULTURE	705-444-2500
PUBLIC WORKS/TRANSPORTATION	705-445-1351
Collingwood Airport	705-445-2663
Colltrans/Accessible Transit	705-446-1196
COLLINGWOOD PUBLIC LIBRARY	705-445-1571
PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT	705-445-1290
COLLUS	
Public Utilities	705-445-1800
EMERGENCY NUMBERS	
Police/Fire/Ambulance	911
General Police Inquiries	1-888-310-1122
General Fire Department Inquiries	705-445-3920
GARBAGE COLLECTION	
County of Simcoe	705-735-6901

Town of Collingwood - 2014 Summary Schedule of Property Tax Rates					
Assessment class	Code	Total	Assessment class	Code	Total
Residential/Farm	RT	1.263156%	Industrial - New Construction	JT	2.851049%
Multi-Residential	MT	1.834049%	Pipelines	PT	2.801174%
Commercial Occupied	CT	2.547422%	Farmlands	FT	0.315789%
Industrial Occupied	IT	3.191049%	Managed Forests	TT	0.315789%

Note: *Property classes - shopping centres, shopping centres new construction, commercial new construction, parking lots, vacant lands, and office buildings will pay tax rates as determined in the Commercial category. *The large Industrial property class will pay tax rates as determined in the Industrial category.

For the allocation of tax rates between the Town, County and education, please refer to your tax bill or the Town's website.