Niagara-on-the-Lake Supports Farmers and Temporary Foreign Workers During COVID-19

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-Niagara-on-the-Lake- On March 27th, the Government of Canada provided guidance to employers of temporary foreign workers regarding their important role in helping to prevent the introduction and potential spread of COVID-19. A set of guidelines has been established to assist employers in understanding how to protect the health and safety of Canadians and workers.

Like all Canadians, most temporary foreign workers entering Canada are required to follow certain obligations, including self-isolation. During the self-isolation period, employers will supply their workers with the necessities and resources required to complete the self-isolation period as instructed by the Federal Government. Once the required self-isolation period has lapsed without the worker showing any symptoms of COVID-19, you may see them in the community practicing physical distancing. As a reminder, some workers have been in the community prior to these restrictions and guidelines put in place by the Federal Government.

In a continual effort with all levels of government, including Regional Public Health, the farming community is working hard to ensure the safety of their temporary foreign workers and, by extension, the residents of this community.

As an essential element to the success of the farming community in Niagara-on-the-Lake, we support our skilled temporary foreign workers as they follow these guidelines.

Lord Mayor Betty Disero stated that “I know the farming community has the best interest of this community, their families and their workers at heart. They will not let us down. They will do what needs to be done to keep us safe.”

To review all Town updates related to COVID-19, read answers to frequently asked questions, and see up-to-date information on the status of Town services, please visit www.notl.com/COVID-19, or call 905-468-3266. Phones are being answered between the hours of 8:30 AM and 4:30 PM Monday to Friday, and online service requests remain available at www.notl.com.

Anyone who has returned from travel in the past 14 days must stay home. Visit www.canada.ca/coronavirus for the most up to date information from the Federal Government.

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