



**Press Release:**

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The Township of Adelaide Metcalfe and the Municipalities of North Middlesex and Southwest Middlesex are pleased to announce a partnership to provide Building Services in a shared service model. The three municipalities are moving forward together to improve local service delivery and efficiency by consolidating and modernizing municipal building services. The shared services model allows municipalities to work together to:

- Maintain local service levels in a sustainable manner;
- Enhance responsiveness to increased demands; and
- Build municipal capacity through the pooling of resources.

“Many municipalities, especially small and rural municipalities, have been exploring ways to provide cost-efficient services to ratepayers where it makes sense,” commented North Middlesex Mayor Brian Ropp. Mayor Kurtis Smith of Adelaide Metcalfe added, “There is a mutual benefit between our municipalities to partner to provide joint Building Services while sharing the costs in administration”. “By working together to share resources and capabilities we are looking to achieve outcomes that we could not achieve on our own”, said Southwest Middlesex Mayor Allan Mayhew.

The transition to the joint provision of Building Services will begin Spring 2020. The initial agreement between the municipalities will be implemented for a period of two years. During this period, the shared services model will be evaluated to ensure the anticipated cost-effectiveness, service levels, and efficiencies are realized.

Residents requiring building services will continue to contact their local municipal offices for all building related inquires and scheduling of building inspections.

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