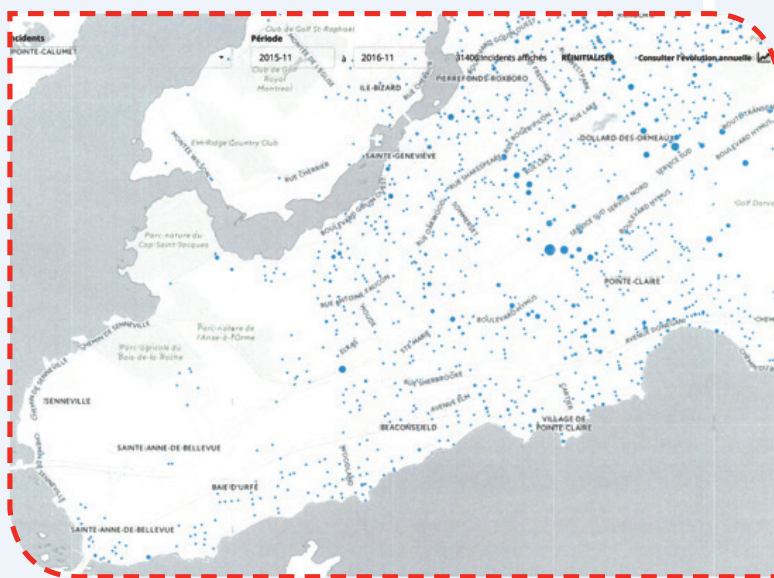




Interactive crime map now available for all municipalities on the island

Many of you have wondered what the crime statistics are for our Town and how they compare with those of other municipalities on the Island. A tool is now available for our citizens that provides some of those answers.

Following the agglomeration Council meeting in December of 2016, the mayors of the demerged cities asked Montréal to include the criminal activity information for our cities on the same site that has provided the info for the 19 Montréal boroughs since April 2016.



Not only was it important to us that we and our citizens have access to this info but it was even more important to us that the officers and commanders of the SPVM stations who serve our 14 demerged cities would also have access to this data (as before they did not).

Equally important to us was that there would be no additional cost to our cities for this information being made available (assurance asked for and received from the City of Montréal).

As of writing, criminal activities reported in the suburban cities from November 2015 to November 2016 are now being shown on the SPVM's interactive crime map, which can be accessed via the following link (in French only). The information will be updated regularly. <https://ville.montreal.qc.ca/vuesurlasecuritepublique> Simply place your cursor over a blue dot and click on it and it will indicate the type of the crime(s) committed at that particular location.

During the period of November 2015 to November 2016 inclusively, 31,406 incidents of criminal activity were recorded on the island. The specific incidents being recorded are the following: offenses causing death; breaking & entering; misdemeanors, thefts in/on a vehicle; thefts of a vehicle; robbery.

A quick look at the interactive map shows that Baie-D'Urfé is one of the safest municipalities on the island, both north and south of Highway 20. I am sure that the regular presence of the VCOPS in our residential sector contributes significantly to our Town's safety and for that, the Town is very grateful for their sustained and protective presence.

You can also refine your search for specific types of criminal activity and for a particular time period.

While examining the map I was able to obtain the following Town data. There were 7 incidents of criminal activity in October 2016 (4 were west of Morgan, 4 of the 7 incidents were for breaking & entering) and 5 in November 2016 (4 were east of Morgan, all 5 incidents were for breaking & entering). Many analyses are possible with the data that is provided.

There are 32 police stations on the island of Montréal. Station 1 serves a population of over 49 177 people spread over a 40 square km territory (includes the five municipalities of Baie-D'Urfé, Beaconsfield, Kirkland, Sainte-Anne-De-Bellevue and Senneville). You can also find a lot of SPVM statistics (by area and by police station) in the SPVM's annual reports (use the link below).

http://rapportspvm2015.ca/app/uploads/2016/05/Statistiques-2015-ang_v3.pdf

An analysis of the 32 stations on the island shows that in 2015 the average neighborhood police station recorded 2663 criminal activities (excluding those pertaining to "laws and regulations" violations). At 885, station 1 which covers Baie-D'Urfé recorded the second lowest number of incidences. Station 9 which covers Côte-Saint-Luc, Hampstead and Montréal-West recorded the lowest at 868. It is interesting to note that Côte-Saint-Luc also has a VCOP organization.

The VCOPS are always looking for more recruits. If you are interested to help keep our Town safe, please contact one of the VCOP's co-directors: **Brian Ross** 514 457-9385 or **Peter Alves** 514 457-9073.

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A belated Happy New Year to all. I hope that 2017 proves to be a great year for you and your family.

Since I last wrote my Communiqué, there have been several public consultations on some of the important issues potentially affecting all residents of Baie D'Urfé. These included discussions on the skating rinks, a potential sound barrier along highway 20 and the use of residential fireplaces in Baie D'Urfé. Attendance at these public consultations was healthy and many residents expressed a variety of opinions on the topics. This input is vital as Council can then take this input and incorporate it into policy and deliverables for the taxpayers. Your continued attendance and participation at these public consultations is valued and encouraged. Thank you.

Throughout the year many residents also regularly voice their opinions and suggestions on variety of local issues through emails and letters. Each month, all Council members read and discuss the correspondence presented. This correspondence is then tabled at the public meetings at Town Hall. Indeed, in many cases the authors of the correspondence show up at the meeting to make a statement on their letter and/or ask a related question to Council. Again, all taxpayer viewpoints and opinions are valued and encouraged. They are part of the democratic process and I thank you all for your involvement.

Other residents choose to simply attend our public meetings each month. At these public meetings, they can hear about activities of the Council and the Town's administration. Some residents ask impromptu questions on any subject during the public question period, others ask questions on a specific topic as they are scheduled on the adopted agenda. Again, I want to thank these residents who consistently show up and give their time, ideas and opinions for the good of the community.

Finally, to all the residents who volunteer their valuable time via the many clubs, organizations and/or committees, a hearty thank you to all. Your contribution makes our community stronger and

Baie D'Urfé a better place to live. Again, thank you for your contribution to Baie D'Urfé.

With any issue, my goal as a Councilor is to keep Baie-D'Urfé a desirable place to live that keeps our quality of living as high as possible and attracts new residents. Please let me know your thoughts and opinions.

My email is: pfletcher@baie-durfe.qc.ca

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BAIE-D'URFÉ COMMUNITY ALERT REGISTRATION



The Town of Baie-D'Urfé now uses **CodeRED**, an automated call system to quickly deliver messages to the population simultaneously by **phone, cell, e-mail or text message** in any potential emergency situation or disaster. Boil water advisory, water main break, power outage, evacuation notice or major fire are just a few examples of local emergencies for which you will now have immediate information at your fingertips.

In order for **CodeRED** to correctly locate your residence, you must subscribe to community alerts.

3 WAYS TO SIGN UP

New residents or registered residents of Baie-D'Urfé:

- **Online** - At www.baie-durfe.qc.ca. Just click on the **CodeRED** logo from our homepage to fill out the form.
- **By phone** - Call **1 866 939-0911** at any time to provide your contact information or to update your coordinates directly to the Emergency Management personnel of **Code RED**.
- **By hand** - Fill out the hard copy form and bring it to Town Hall.

Because in an emergency situation, every minute counts!



Environmental Review

Light Pollution in Residential Neighbourhoods

People are installing more and brighter lights on their houses and landsites that are “ON” all night causing light pollution, which is becoming more prevalent in the residential neighbourhoods of Baie-D’Urfé.

Light pollution is defined as excessive light that is unwanted and annoying. If the lights are high in intensity and misdirected (Figure 1), the light produced can spill onto neighbouring properties and cause glaring effects, which will disturb the neighbours and passersby.



Figure 1

The Zoning By-Law 875, article 3.14 states: *“In all zones other than industrial, no exterior lighting device shall disturb the surrounding uses by its intensity or its brightness.”*

According to experts, light pollution has various health effects on humans, wildlife, and ecosystems; not to mention the energy wastage which contributes to green house gas effects.

It makes sense to install a light at every exit to the house as required for safety reasons. But, It is not necessary to install high wattage lights all around the house and on the ground, which are left “ON” all night!

These lights should be low wattage bulbs pointing to the ground, shielded all around the light fixtures (Figure 2) and limited in number so as not to disturb the neighbours. They should be operated on a timer, or motion activated.



Figure 2

By doing so, your neighbours will thank you for your consideration!

Philip Iacovone
Director | Town Planning, Permits and Inspection

News from the Industrial Park

RECRUITMENT SERVICES FOR BUSINESSES



PME MTL West-Island has a team of experts who are there to offer support and financial assistance for entrepreneurs and business leaders in the West-Island. Since July 2015, they have put in place a recruitment service offered to businesses as well as a job placement service for individuals. The main goal of these services is to use a networking approach which facilitates the link between the demand by residents searching for jobs and the various businesses offering job opportunities.

This partnership with your business helps **PMT MTL West-Island** understand your growth and recruitment needs and refer the best possible candidates. Very appreciated by those who have used this service since its introduction, PME MTL West-Island has gone from a team of 1 to 3 counsellors. Their efficiency stems from the collaborative approach taken and has ensured an excellent placement rate of 70%.

The advantages for your business:

- Access to the services of a senior human resources counsellor
- Increased visibility of business job offers through PME’s network
- Access to a data bank of candidates available to work
- Referral to government hiring programs and salary grants

They also help eligible candidates develop a winning job search strategy by offering the following:

- Personalized meetings with experienced advisors
- Improving your résumé
- Polishing your LinkedIn profile
- Providing advice and tips on hiring interviews
- Identifying job opportunities
- Submitting applications to employers

A link to a West Island Career Portal that lists job offers is available here: <http://www.jobs.westisland.ca>

For more information or to sign up, please contact:

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What's New

2017 EARTH HOUR



March 25, 2017 from 8:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

For a 10th consecutive year, Baie-D'Urfé is proud to be one of the many cities across the world participating in this event. The Town will therefore turn off all non-essential lighting for one hour.

We invite all Baie-D'Urfé merchants and residents to do the same!

REMINDER | SUMMER EMPLOYMENT - STUDENTS



We are seeking students to perform various tasks with the public works team of the Town during the summer period, from **May to August**.

Interested candidates are requested to submit their resumé by regular mail, in person at Town Hall or by e-mail before **Friday, March 17, 2017**.

All details on our website at
www.baie-durfe.qc.ca

☎ : 514 457-5324 | 📠 : 514 457-5671

PUBLIC CONSULTATION

Citizens of Baie-d'Urfé are invited to a presentation and public consultation for the eventual rendering of the **Town's Parks and Green Spaces Master plan**.

These meetings will be held at **7:00 pm** at the **Whiteside Taylor Center Auditorium** in three (3) consecutive nights:

- **Monday March 27**: for residents living between **Watterson** and **Beaconsfield** boundary.
- **Tuesday March 28**: for residents living between **Watterson** and **Stafford**.
- **Wednesday March 29**: for residents living between **Stafford** and the **Sainte-Anne-de-Bellevue** boundary.

BIG CHANGE!!



Organic waste pick up and recycling will change for **TUESDAYS** starting **April 4th 2017**.

Also, from **April 1st** to the end of November, organic pick up will be **every week!**

Consult your **Collection calendar 2017** for all infos!

RECYCLE



MULTI-SPORT COMPLEX

Walk under the Dome!

Now on **Mondays & Thursdays** from **10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.** until April 10th.

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2. Click on the **Updates from Baie-D'Urfé** button;
3. Index your name and e-mail;
4. Confirm your inscription.



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Looking forward to count you amongst our subscribers!

