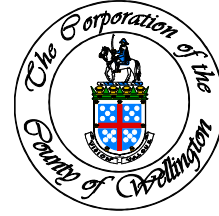


# COUNTY OF WELLINGTON POLICY AND PROCEDURE



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**DEPARTMENT:** COUNCIL

**POLICY NUMBER:**

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**DIVISION:**

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** JANUARY, 2019

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**SUBJECT:** CODE OF CONDUCT – COUNTY COUNCILLORS

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**AUTHORITY:**

SECTION 223 OF THE MUNICIPAL ACT, 2001, AS AMENDED BY Bill 68,  
MODERNIZING ONTARIO'S MUNICIPAL LEGISLATION ACT, 2016; ONTARIO  
REGULATION 55/18

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## **PURPOSE:**

To ensure that the conduct of members of Wellington County Council complies with the terms of the Municipal Act, 2001 and Ontario Regulation 55/18. The Wellington County Library Board and Police Services Board are exempt from the legislation.

## **CODE OF CONDUCT:**

1. Members shall deposit with the Museum Curator all non-perishable gifts of appreciation for disposal or inclusion in the Museum collection.
2. Members shall not accept hospitality outside functions related to the discharge of their duties as a County Councillor.
3. Members shall treat in a respectful manner each other and all officers and staff of the Corporation of the County of Wellington during all formal meetings, and social exchanges.
4. Members shall keep information and materials obtained during "in camera" sessions of County Council and County Committees confidential until such time as public discussion is permitted by the lapsing of privilege established by the Municipal Act's closed meetings provisions.
5. Members shall not use property of the County unless permitted/required by the natural course of their duties.

## **COMPLAINTS TO INTEGRITY COMMISSIONER:**

Requests may be made to the Integrity Commissioner by Council, a member of Council or a member of the public about whether a member of Council has contravened the code of conduct.

**PENALTIES:**

The municipality may impose either a reprimand and/or suspension of the remuneration paid to the member of Council for a period of up to 90 days.