

The Corporation of the Town of LaSalle

To: Mayor and Members of Council

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Department: Council Services

Date of Report: October 1, 2020

Report Number: CL-17-20

Subject: Municipal Customer Compliments and Complaints Portal

Recommendation

That the report of the Deputy Clerk and Corporate Communication & Promotions Officer dated October 1, 2020 (CL-17-20) providing an update on the Municipal Customer Compliments and Complaints System BE RECEIVED for information.

Report

Administering the Customer Service Portal

Public input is an important method of collecting feedback relating to Municipal services, operations and facilities.

Because of this, a process for receiving and responding to public input was established in 2017 and subsequently updated in January 2020 with the addition of an electronic customer service portal on the Town of LaSalle website.

The electronic customer service portal is a mechanism in which a non-emergency request, comment, compliment or complaint is submitted and directed to the appropriate department for response. Using the customer service portal ensures a consistent uniformed process to address and respond to members of the public while maintaining a historical and chronological record of the matter.

The compliments/complaints form is located on our website and is completed electronically using a drop down menu. Once a submission is processed, a tracking number is provided to the applicant, which can then be referenced in follow up correspondence.

Provided in this report are 2020 quarterly statistics breaking down submissions by department and type. The attached statistics include inquiries, service requests, compliments and complaints.

Promotion of the Customer Service Portal

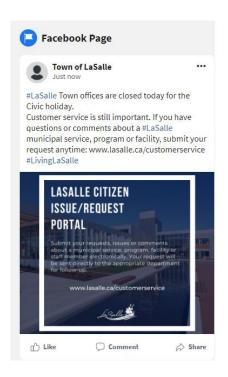
At the time that the customer service portal was introduced, it was promoted on the Town's website, in a media release and on social media. Information was also distributed on business cards to Council Members to hand out to community members as needed.

Through various platforms, we continue to encourage members of the public to use the customer service portal to ask a question or make a comment about a municipal program, service or facility:

- Insert in the water bill in January 2020 (the intention is to include this information in a tax and/or water bill annually)
- Information shared on social media, including the link to the portal
 - Town of LaSalle Facebook once per week
 - Town of LaSalle Twitter two to three times per week
 - Town of LaSalle Instagram once per week
- The link is also periodically shared on the culture and recreation social media pages.
- Contact us information included in the monthly email blasts
- Contact us information included in the Message from the Mayor
- On the Town's website: www.lasalle.ca/customerservice

Examples of Communication Pieces





In addition, when comments are made on social media or private messages are received, most often, we direct the user to the customer service portal.

Consultations

Not applicable.

Financial Implications

Not applicable.

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Link to Strategic Goals

Yes	Enhancing organizational excellence
	Sustain strong public services and infrastructure
Yes	Strengthen the community's engagement with the Town
	Grow and diversify the local economy
	Build on our high-quality of life

Communications

	Not applicable
Yes	Website
Yes	Social Media
	News Release
	Local Newspaper
	Bids & Tenders
	Notification pursuant to the Planning Act

Notifications

Name	Address	Email

Report Approval Details

Document Title:	Municipal Compliments and Complaints Portal.docx
Attachments:	 - Municipal-Complaints-Policy.pdf - Service Request Data - Q1 2020.pdf - Service Request Data - Q2 2020.pdf - Service Request Data - Q3 2020.pdf
Final Approval Date:	Oct 19, 2020

This report and all of its attachments were approved and signed as outlined below:

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