

Council Highlights

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Join us at our Next Council Meeting
on Wednesday, February 4 at 5pm!

This is a Special Meeting to discuss the 2026 Budget!

OPP Provides Updates on Local Law Enforcement



Inspector Davide Barnabi of the Middlesex OPP Detachment gave a presentation about law enforcement issues and local crime rates.

[Click here to read the 2025 Crime Report.](#)

Residents were reminded to call the OPP's non-emergency phone line at 1-888-310-1122, if they wish to report traffic issues, including informing them of speeding in a specific area.

Thames Centre to Assume Responsibility for Avon Cemetery

Council directed staff to proceed with the legislative and legal steps required to accept responsibility for the Avon Cemetery (740 Avon Drive).

Archives Group to Be Hosted at FlightExec Centre

Council received and approved a proposal to direct staff to negotiate a free lease of the Smitty's Lounge space at the FlightExec Centre to *The Committee to Establish a Middlesex County Archives, Thames Centre Working Group*.

This group is working to establish an archive for Middlesex County to help preserve documents and other items of significance.

Policy Review Continues

Council received an updated policy on Public Notice, and the sale and disposition of lands.

This is part of an ongoing policy review, which was started last year to modernize key municipal policies.

Middlesex County also presented on joint procurement, which Council will consider once the Section 270 policy review is completed.

2026

Curbside Garbage / Recycling Schedule

-  Garbage & Recycling Pick-Up
-  Recycling Pick-up Only



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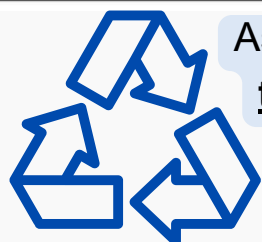
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* January 1 and December 25 holidays will be picked up on the following Saturday.



As of January 1, 2026, **municipalities are no longer responsible for the blue box program**. If you have a blue box or recycling question or concern contact [Miller Waste](https://www.millerwaste.ca) at 1-888-852-2376 or send an e-mail to area24@millerwaste.ca

Recycle more than ever before.



As of January 1, 2026 the Ontario Government has shifted to a model of Extended Producer Responsibility.

Municipalities no longer manage residential recycling - that is now the responsibility of Circular Materials.

To find out more about what items can and can't be recycled, residents can visit the Circular Materials website. You can also download their mobile app from www.circularmaterials.ca/app for service alerts and reminders.

www.CircularMaterials.ca/Thames-Centre