

From: [Amalgamation Chair](#)
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: Amalgamation

Dear [REDACTED],

Thank you for taking the time to write and share your questions regarding the ongoing amalgamation discussions. I appreciate residents reaching out to better understand the process.

At this time, discussions between the Municipality of the District of Shelburne, the Town of Shelburne, and the Town of Lockeport remain exploratory in nature, and no decisions have been made regarding amalgamation. Amalgamation discussions have occurred periodically over many years among the municipal units. Prior to my taking office, Lockeport Council passed a motion to participate in exploratory discussions with the neighbouring municipalities.

The purpose of the current work is to better understand potential impacts, challenges, and opportunities before any decisions would be considered by the respective Councils. Many of the questions you have raised including; taxation, services, staffing, representation, and public input, are among the key topics currently being examined by the Amalgamation Steering Committee.

To help address common questions, the Steering Committee has developed a set of Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs), which speak directly to many of the concerns you have outlined. The draft FAQs will be reviewed at the Committee's meeting this Wednesday. Following that review, the information will be posted and updated on the amalgamation information website: <https://www.municipalityofshelburne.ca/amalgamation-steering-committee/>

You may also view the draft FAQs within the March 4 meeting agenda package currently available on the site. Once approved, the finalized version will be published and updated as the process continues.

Please feel free to share this information with others who may have similar questions or concerns. Thank you again for your interest and engagement as this process moves forward.

Sincerely,
Mayor Derek Amalfa
Chair, Amalgamation Steering Committee
