



Town of Arnprior
Regular Meeting of Council: June 8th, 2026
Correspondence Package Number A-26-JUNE-06

Recommendation:

That the Correspondence Package Number. A-26-JUNE-06 be received, and the recommendation(s) outlined be brought forward for Council's consideration.

Action Item:

1. Request for Support – Arnprior Regional Health Foundation – Water Bill Insert in July/August 2026 Water Bills

Whereas That Council of the Corporation of the Town of Arnprior receive the correspondence from the Arnprior Regional Health Foundation; and

Whereas the Arnprior Regional Health Foundation has included a Community Update as a water bill insert in previous years to reach all local homes, share updates on their programming and provide an opportunity for local residents to give back to healthcare in a meaningful way; and

Further That Council approves the request from the Arnprior Regional Health Foundation to include a letter from the ARH Foundation in the July/August 2026 utility bill mailing to be delivered to homes in early September 2026 at no cost to the ARH Foundation.

2. Request for Support – Leaps & Bounds St. Joe's – FoodCycler

Whereas Council of the Corporation of the Town of Arnprior received correspondence from Leaps & Bounds St. Joe's highlighting the interest of their kindergarten-aged children in composting, gardening, and understanding the food cycle; and

Whereas Leaps & Bounds is exploring ways to build a small garden program for children; and

Whereas Leaps & Bounds St. Joe's have requested a FoodCycler Eco 5 to be donated by the Town of Arnprior.

Therefore Be It Resolved That Council approve the donation of a FoodCycler Eco 5 countertop composter (value of approximately \$418.63) to Leaps & Bounds St. Joe's.

3. Request for Support – École élémentaire catholique des Deux-Rivières – Composters

Whereas Council of the Corporation of the Town of Arnprior received correspondence from École élémentaire catholique des Deux-Rivières highlighting the interest of their Eco-School committee in creating a composting site at the school; and

Whereas École élémentaire catholique des Deux-Rivières is platinum certified by EcoSchools Canada and as part of their educational project they will focus on sustainable development, waste reduction, soil biodiversity, and gardening; and

Whereas École élémentaire catholique des Deux-Rivières have requested one or more composters to be donated by the Town of Arnprior.

Therefore Be It Resolved That Council approve the donation of two backyard composters (value of approximately \$141.24) to École élémentaire catholique des Deux-Rivières.



May 12, 2026

Mayor McGee and Town of Arnprior Council
Town of Arnprior
105 Elgin Street, West
Arnprior, ON K7S 0A8

Dear Mayor and Councillors ,

The Arnprior Regional Health Foundation would like to respectfully request approval from town council to include a letter from our Foundation to accompany the Town of Arnprior's July / August billing, which is delivered September 2026.

As you know, in the past, council has been very accommodating, which assists us in reaching many homes in our area and sharing news, upcoming events as well as giving local residents' the opportunity to give back to healthcare in a meaningful way.

Thank you for considering this request and we look forward to your response.

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ben Gardiner".

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cc: Mayor Lisa McGee

Kaitlyn Wendland

From: noreply@arnprior.ca on behalf of Lacey Dykens <leapsandboundsstjoes@adccs.ca>
Sent: Wednesday, May 20, 2026 1:31 PM
To: Group - Clerks
Subject: Request for Donation – FoodCycler for Childcare

To Whom it May Concern,
I hope you are doing well.

I am reaching out on behalf of Leaps & Bounds St Joes, a nonprofit childcare centre located within our local school community. We recently learned about the town's pilot project offering countertop composters to residents, and we think it is a fantastic initiative.

Our kindergarten-aged children have shown a strong interest in composting, gardening, and understanding the food cycle. We are currently exploring ways to build a small garden program where children can learn firsthand about sustainability, food waste reduction, and how compost supports plant growth.

We would love to incorporate a FoodCycler into our program to support this learning. It would provide a meaningful, hands-on opportunity for children to see how food waste can be transformed into something useful, while reinforcing the environmental values your pilot project promotes.

As a nonprofit program, our resources are limited, and I am writing to ask if the town would consider donating a FoodCycler unit to our centre, or offering one at a reduced cost for educational use. We would be happy to acknowledge the town's support and share how the program is benefiting the children.

Thank you very much for considering our request, and for the work you are doing to promote sustainability in our community. I would be happy to provide any additional information if needed.

Warm regards,

Lacey Dykens

Supervisor

Leaps & Bounds St Joes

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École élémentaire catholique des
Deux-Rivières

Arnprior, May 11, 2026

To Environmental Advisory Committee,

Subject: Request for a composter for the Deux-Rivières Catholic Elementary School

Madam, Sir,

As co-leader, along with a teacher, of the Eco-School committee, I am writing to you regarding the management of organic waste at our school, located at **240, Baskin Drive W. Arnprior K7S 2G8**. For your information, our school is Platinum certified by EcoSchools Canada.

As part of our educational project focused on sustainable development and waste reduction, we wish to set up a composting site within the school. This project offers several major benefits:

- **Waste reduction:** Making use of students' leftover meals and snacks.
- **Active learning:** Raising children's awareness of the matter cycle, soil biodiversity and gardening.
- **Amendment production:** Use the compost produced for the school's garden beds or vegetable garden.

In order to carry out this action, we would like to know if the city could provide **us with one (or more) composter(s) free of charge** as well as, if possible, a bio-bucket for transporting bio-waste.

We are fully willing to receive short training or documentation to ensure proper maintenance of the tank and avoid any nuisance.

I am at your complete disposal to discuss the details of this installation or to present our project to you in more detail.

Awaiting your reply, please accept, Madam/Sir, the expression of my distinguished greetings.

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