

**WHERE:** All sewer pipelines within the Town boundaries including Sunshine Meadows

## Why Clean Sewer Mains

- Sewer blockages can cost the town and taxpayers a lot of money.
- Everything you flush down your home's toilets and sinks goes to the sanitary sewer main. Sanitary sewer mains carry this waste to the wastewater treatment plant.
- Sewer main cleaning helps prevent blockages and backups by removing build-up in the mains including tree roots, grease, grit, and sand. This important maintenance work keeps our sewer mains flowing, reduced the potential for nuisance odours, and helps protect our infrastructure.
- Sewer main cleaning is also done for CCTV inspection work. These inspections allow us to see the condition of our sewer mains and make necessary repairs or replacements.



## How You Can Help

Many items we use daily cannot go down our toilets or drains. Several products, even those labelled "flushable" or "biodegradable" DO NOT dissolve and putting them down the toilet or drain can cause:

- Damage or blockages to your home plumbing, which could lead to basement flooding.
- Damage to the City's sewer pipes located under the streets, which could lead to basement flooding.
- Damage to wastewater treatment plants.
- Harm to the environment and aquatic habitat in the lake, local streams and rivers.



To help keep the entire sewage system working well and prevent sanitary sewer blockages and/or sewer service line blockages that can result in basement flooding, it's important **not to flush or put the following products down drains:**

- Hygiene products (e.g. sanitary napkins/liners, tampons, condoms, wipes, cotton swabs, dental floss, diapers and rags).
- Fats, oils and cooking grease.
- Medication (e.g. pills or liquid).
- Household hazardous waste (e.g. paints, pesticides, cleaning products).
- Car and garage products (e.g. motor oil, antifreeze).