

**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF TUDOR AND CASHEL**

**BY-LAW NO. 2014 – 23**

Being a by-law to prohibit the discharge of guns or other firearms or any class or type thereof within the boundaries of the hamlets of Millbridge, Gunter and Gilmour

**WHEREAS** Section 8. (1) of the *Municipal Act, 2001, c. 25*, as amended allows municipal powers to be interpreted broadly so as to confer broad authority on municipalities, enable them to govern their affairs as they consider appropriate; and enhance their ability to respond to municipal issue.

**AND WHEREAS** Section 119 of the *Municipal Act, 2001, c.25*, states that without limiting sections 9, 10 and 11, a local municipality may, for the purpose of public safety, prohibit or regulate the discharge of guns or other firearms, air-guns, spring-guns, cross-bows, long-bows or any other weapon.

**AND WHEREAS** Council for the Corporation of the Township of Tudor and Cashel is concerned about the safety of residents and in conjunction with By-law # 11-09 which states that no person, or owner, tenant or occupier of real property shall make or cause any sound or noise which disturbs the quiet, peace, rest, enjoyment, comfort or convenience of the neighbourhood or person in the vicinity.

**AND WHEREAS** the Criminal Code sec 86.1 refers to the use of firearms, and requires that a person ensure the use of a firearm be done in a safe manner which includes ensuring a safe back stop, pointed in a safe direction.

**NOW THEREFORE**, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Tudor and Cashel hereby enacts as follows:

1. THAT the discharge of guns or other firearms, or any class or type thereof within the limits of the hamlets of Millbridge, Gunter and Gilmour is prohibited.
2. THAT the following exceptions are permissible within reason:
  - a. Target practice prior to or during hunting seasons as duly noted by the Government of Ontario regulations.
  - b. For the express purpose of ridding the hamlet of such animals as bear or other wildlife that can be categorized as a safety problem or nuisance causing undo stress for residents.
3. THAT any person who discharges a firearm ensures a safe back stop pointed in a safe direction and that the discharge of the firearm stays within the limit of their own property.
4. THAT the aforementioned policy may be amended from time to time under resolution of Council.

PASSED THIS 05<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF AUGUST, 2014.

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REEVE: WANDA DONALDSON

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CLERK: BERNICE CROCKER