



Town of  
**East Gwillimbury**

**Office of the Mayor**

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Mayor Virginia Hackson, B.A., B.Ed.



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**Happy Holidays From Mayor Virginia Hackson**

As we begin to see 2020 in our rear-view mirror, I reflect on what an unprecedented year it was. Never could I have predicted that when COVID-19 appeared in March that we would still be dealing with it today.

To curb the spread of COVID-19, the province has issued a notice that effective December 26th, the entire province of Ontario will be put into the Grey Zone – Lockdown. This is not the news that many want to hear, however, it is a step that needs to be taken for the protection of everyone's health and safety.

Over the past year we have learned to adapt to new ways of connecting with family and friends. I hear many stories of those who have used technology to virtually connect and I encourage you to do try it this holiday season. As some may not have access to technology, you can also have a phone call or a drive by wave.

Please keep your celebrations to only those that live in your household and connect virtually with others. Visit [www.eastgwillimbury.ca/covid19](http://www.eastgwillimbury.ca/covid19) for some creative ways to celebrate the holidays.

With the approval of the vaccine, we are hopeful that 2021 will be a better year and our recovery from COVID-19 will begin. We must continue in our vigilant efforts to make this happen.

Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays to everyone!

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