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County of Elgin and the Municipality of Central Elgin Urge Phishing Email Awareness

Central Elgin, ON – In recent weeks, phishing email campaigns have been increasing in prevalence across the province and locally. Phishing is the fraudulent practice of sending emails claiming to be from reputable organizations, in order to induce individuals to reveal personal information, or click on links that may contain malicious software.

The County of Elgin and the Municipality of Central Elgin have been notified that a number of emails have been circulating in the community that appear to be coming from either the County of Elgin or Municipality of Central Elgin.

In light of these phishing campaigns, it is recommended that caution be exercised when opening emails and associated attachments from any source. Available options include the following:

- Carefully check to make sure that the email address and sender's name match.
- Refrain from clicking on suspicious links.
- Refrain from opening unexpected attachments.
- Do not provide personal information in emails.
- If an email seems suspicious, immediately delete it from your inbox.

If you suspect fraudulent email activity, it is also recommended to report details to the [Canadian Anti-Fraud Centre](#). The Canadian Anti-Fraud Centre collects information on fraud, identity theft, and scams affecting Canadians.

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