

From: [Sinclair TV & Appliance](#)
To: [Christine Fraser-McDonald](#)
Cc: ["Sinclair TV & Appliance"](#)
Subject: RE: FW: FW: tara curling club issue
Date: January 10, 2023 2:02:50 PM

Thank you.

Edith

From: Sinclair TV & Appliance <sinclairtv@bmts.com>
Sent: January 10, 2023 1:05 PM
To: Christine Fraser-McDonald <clerk@arran-elderslie.ca>
Cc: 'Sinclair TV & Appliance' <sinclairtv@bmts.com>
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Hi Christine,

Thank you for returning my call. Below is the letter that was sent on Friday re the rental pricing for use of the community centre by the Tara Curling Club. The agreement has been in place for many years and was sustainable when rental rates were more affordable. We are a volunteer run organization and as the usage fees have increased it has become an unsustainable cost burden for us to run events to showcase our club and to attract new members. Covid was tough for Tara Curling Club.

Please let me know where we go from here.

Thanks, Edith

From: Sinclair TV & Appliance [mailto:sinclairtv@bmts.com]

Sent: Friday, January 06, 2023 4:06 PM

To: shammell@arran-elderslie.ca; rnickason@arran-elderslie.ca; jshaw@arran-elderslie.ca; psteinacker@arran-elderslie.ca

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Mayor Steve

Deputy Mayor Jen

Arran Ward Councillor Ryan

Tara Ward Councillor Peter

We want to follow up on behalf of the Tara Curling Club who submitted a request through the Arran-Elderslie online portal to have our rates for use of the Tara Community Centre be zero. We offered to send a delegation to Council. The request was sent to the Municipality but we have yet to receive a response.

December 14th we hosted a senior men's bonspiel, involving 48 senior curlers. We used about a third of the community centre space and did not use the main kitchen or the bathrooms. We were charged \$382.15 plus hst for a total of \$431.83.

Historically Tara Curling Club is allowed one free use of our community centre hall and kitchen per 6 month curling season. The club usually rents the facility 6-8 times. We have recently learned that Chesley Curling Club gets 15 usages of their community centre at no charge. We are simply asking for equal treatment within the Municipality.

We did talk to our Tara ward Councillor, Peter Steinacker, who will bring our concerns forward to Council. We would also be most willing to attend the next meeting to discuss our concerns.

We much appreciate your help in this matter.

Yours truly,

Ian and Edith Sinclair,

Tara Curling Club