

## Staff Report

Council Meeting Date: May 12, 2025

Subject: PWRDS-2025-10 Sidewalk Patio Request – Wing House, Chesley

Report from: Julie Hamilton, Coordinator of Infrastructure & Development

Attachments: Wing House Proposal

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### **Recommendation**

Be It Resolved that Council approves report PWRDS-2025-10 Sidewalk Patio Request – Wing House, Chesley; and

Provides support in principle for the establishment of a temporary sidewalk patio adjacent to the Wing House restaurant in Chesley; and

Further directs staff to collaborate with Bruce County to ensure that all technical and safety requirements are adequately addressed and fulfilled for the proposed sidewalk patio.

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### **Background**

Sidewalk patios provide an opportunity for downtown businesses to extend activities and create an atmosphere downtown that people want to spend time in. A sidewalk patio, designed and facilitated appropriately, can make a significant contribution to the downtown community.

At the March 10, 2025, meeting, Council passed the following resolution:

*THAT applications for a sidewalk patio are considered by Council on a case-by-case basis;*

*AND FURTHER direct staff to request consultation from the Business Community, Working Groups and the County of Bruce regarding the implementation of a sidewalk policy.*

*AND FURTHER a report be brought forward for Council consideration.*

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## **Analysis**

Staff are collaborating with stakeholders on the development of a formalized policy. In the interim, an application has been received for the installation of a sidewalk patio adjacent to the Wing House in Chesley.

An encroachment permit will be required from Bruce County before installation of the patio can proceed and part of that process involves Arran-Elderslie providing their approval and any conditions prior to Bruce County approval.

The proposal submitted by the Wing House is attached with a sketch of the area. It proposes to have the patio directly adjacent to the building with the pedestrian pathway diverted around the patio into the parking spot. One spot will be utilized.

Should Council provide their support in principle for the installation of the patio Staff would work with Bruce County to ensure the design and construction meet the standards prescribed for sidewalk patios as outlined in the proposed sidewalk policy.

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## **Link to Strategic/Master Plan**

6.2 Supporting Businesses and the Local Economy

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## **Financial Impacts/Source of Funding/Link to Procurement Policy**

There are no financial implications associated with this report.

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Approved by: Emily Dance, Chief Administrative Officer