

ELECT  
**CHRIS MACLENNAN**  
Councillor  
ASHFIELD WARD

Hello, my name is Chris MacLennan and I am running for councillor in Ashfield Ward, Ashfield-Colborne-Wawanosh.

I will start with a bit of my background. I was born and raised in Ashfield and I am the fifth generation of my family in the township. As such, I care very much about the township and my community.

I am married to my wife, Mary Ellen, and I live in the west end of the township. I am a self-employed carpenter and most of my work is along the lakeshore. I hear many of the concerns both full-time and seasonal residents have.

I have attended numerous council meetings and other meetings involving the municipality for many years now and understand how municipal politics works.

If elected, I would push toward a rebuilding and creating new infrastructure within the township. Bridges are a top priority, as many will need replacing in the next few years. I will also push for rebuilding and bringing lakeshore roads up to modern standards as I feel the lakeshore is a vital part of the township's future and should be promoted for future growth.

As it stands, some of our current policies in effect don't represent the wants and needs of our ratepayers. I feel council needs to be accountable to its ratepayers and as such, if elected, I will try to meet the needs and wants of the ratepayers whether seasonal, or full-time residents.

I feel it is council's job to be accountable for decisions made, keep people informed about what is happening and give people a chance to participate in decisions that effect the township.

If elected, I will do my best to be accessible and available to all residents and work toward making ACW a place we will all enjoy now, and in the future.

As it is hard to share all my views in a letter such as this, I encourage everyone to attend the All Candidates Debate, to be held at the Dungannon Agricultural Centre, Oct 13, 2010 at 7 PM, to hear my ideas. I am open to any suggestions and look forward to hearing ideas and concerns.

Thanks

Chris MacLennan