

## Memorandum

To:

**Mayor Steele and Members of Council** 

From:

**Councillor Ron Bodner** 

Date:

July 18, 2023

Re:

**Port Colborne & District Conservation Club** 

Since being elected to Council in 1998, the Port Colborne & District Conservation Club has been a well-respected member of the Community. The Club has been involved in many activities and been respectful of and tried to work with the neighbours in regard to the activities going on at the club. Skeet and trap shooting occurred every other Sunday between a certain time period and didn't take place on holidays.

Recently, the City has received complaints about the use and operation of the Club, including complaints regarding set times for shooting. These issues remain unresolved, and I feel we should look at all regulatory options to assist residents that are affected by the operations of the club and have experienced recent issues with the club. One option is including the club in the City's Noise and Discharge of Firearms By-laws in addition to anything else staff finds appropriate.

I am requesting that the following motion be approved:

That the Director of Community Safety and Enforcement be directed to bring a report back to the August 15, 2023 Council Meeting regarding the inclusion of the Conservation Club in the City's Noise and Discharge of Firearms By-laws as well as any additional options that will allow Council to control the amount of shooting at the club.

Thank you for your consideration,

Councillor Bodner Ward 4