

Many of you shared feedback at the April 8th town hall.

This was an important conversation, and we appreciate your willingness to engage us directly.

We understand your frustration with the shutdown and the slow start to the vaccine rollout. The path to recovery requires control of this devastating virus. An expedited vaccine rollout is critical to preventing these stops and starts that are so damaging for business.

The delays in distribution are heavy blows to people worried about their loved ones and possibly their livelihoods. The Newmarket Chamber along with our partners at the Ontario Chamber of Commerce and the broader Ontario Chamber network are constantly at the Provincial table, asking for our leaders to leverage the private sector to support vaccine distribution and deployment.

Lockdowns and shutdowns are detrimental to the livelihood of small business owners and will have a long-term impact on our local business community. Our message has been consistent throughout; the Provincial Government needs to work with the business community to enact safe work procedures, allowing our members to continue operating in a safe manner and complying with all protocols.

Nothing is more important than the health of people; a strong economy is dependent on that. We are strongly advocating on behalf of the Newmarket business community to not only ensure this is the last lockdown, but that businesses are supported through it and into recovery.

Signed,

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