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Stratford Launches Virtual Tour of Newly Opened Stratford Emergency Services Centre

The Town of Stratford is pleased to provide residents with a virtual tour of the Town's newly opened Stratford Emergency Services Centre. This video will take residents through the spaces in the building as well as allow them to learn more about the building itself and how it benefits the various tenants.

"When COVID-19 hit in March", said Stratford Mayor Steve Ogden, "we had been working on plans to host an open house for the community. We initially postponed those plans hoping we could proceed at some point in 2020 but given that the building is home to our essential services including the RCMP, Cross Roads Fire Department and Island EMS, it became clear that we could not risk bringing the community through anytime soon. With that in mind we pivoted to creating a virtual experience for residents which would allow them learn more about the building and see inside the spaces."

The video lasts about five minutes and provides an overview of the space as well as interviews with representatives of each of the emergency responder tenants. Residents will get a feel for the interior of the space and learn more about the way it was designed and built to be in line with our sustainability vision. This includes things like taking advantage of the building orientation for solar heating and design features such as building the training tower to operate as a required emergency exit but also as a training tower for the fire department members.

"We look forward to a time in the future when we can gather in person and open the doors to the public", added Mayor Ogden, "but for the time being we hope residents will take pride in this building by learning more about it through our virtual tour."

The video can be found on the Town's website at www.townofstratford.ca as well as the Town's YouTube channel at www.youtube.com/townofstratford.

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