



DNA 2014 Municipal Survey Results

Durham Nuclear Awareness sent out an election survey about nuclear emergency planning to all 209 candidates (in each of Durham's eight municipalities) in the 2014 municipal election.

The survey, with its explanatory preamble, can be found at <http://durhamnuclearawareness.com/electionsurvey/>
Questions are also inserted below.

As well as sending out the survey via e-mail (using addresses provided on the municipalities' election Web sites) on up to three occasions (i.e., a 2nd and then 3rd time to those who had not yet responded), follow-up phone calls were made to those who had not responded, with a polite request/reminder to participate in the survey.

All responses were acknowledged, and those who responded received an e-mailed copy of her/his responses.

Overall Response Rate

127 surveys out of 209, or 61%.

Response Rate By Municipality

OSHAWA	73%	BROCK	60%
CLARINGTON	67%	WHITBY	57%
PICKERING	62.5%	UXBRIDGE	50%
AJAX	62%	SCUGOG	33%

Response Rate of Candidates Who Are Incumbents

Ajax	3 out of a possible 7	Pickering	5/7
Brock	0/4	Scugog	0/5
Clarington	2/6	Uxbridge	2/6
Oshawa	5/10	Whitby	1/6

Response Rate of Current Members of Regional Council

6 out of a possible 28 = 21%

N.B. Total Regional Council members = 29; one incumbent member is not running for re-election.

Who Responded to the DNA Survey? Who Did NOT Respond?

The questions:

1. If elected, will you advocate for world-class nuclear emergency plans that meet or exceed international best practices? *Yes, No, Comments*
2. Do you support directing Durham Region staff to study and provide a report to Regional Council on international best practices for nuclear emergency plans? *Yes, No, Comments*
3. Do you agree that Durham Region should request the government of Ontario to openly and transparently consult with the municipalities and citizens of Durham Region on new off-site nuclear emergency plans? *Yes, No, Comments*

UXBRIDGE Candidates * indicates incumbent

Candidate Name	Position	Responses	Comments
Ted Eng	Mayor	Yes Yes Yes	None
Michelle Viney	Regional Councillor	Yes Yes Yes	1. I will advocate for emergency plans for nuclear as well as all potential emergency situations. There have been several instances of non-nuclear emergencies in the Durham Region: ice storms, and the McAshphalt fire as well as flooding and tornados in Southern Ontario. During an emergency is not the time to figure out what to do or who does what. We require a best-in-world emergency management program to ensure that residents are safe, no matter the nature of the emergency. Having lived and worked within the 10 km zone of two of our southern Ontario nuclear facilities, my employer or myself were responsible for acquiring Potassium Iodide (KI) pills. It believe that if the Region of Durham can deliver recycling and compost bins to a new dwelling and are aware of new residents moving in (due to account set-ups for utilities), they can also deliver (in-person or by mail) KI pills. I suspect that many new residents are unaware of the need and therefore, do not have a supply on hand if necessary in an emergency. 2. In the event of an emergency, nuclear or other origin, we need to understand and execute an emergency plan seamlessly. By looking at what other communities do around the world, we can ensure that we are observing best practices already in existence. We should take advantage of the accumulation of international best practices and knowledge as well as offering a comprehensive communications programme to ensure that everyone is aware of who does what. These plans should also be tested on a periodic basis to ensure seamless execution of plans if there is an

			emergency. This will require a new level of coordination between federal, provincial, regional and municipal authorities. 3. All levels of government need to be engaged and the local government needs to be involved because in an emergency local government (municipal and regional) is generally best able (due to geographic proximity) to enact an emergency plan. It is also imperative, as indicated above, that all residents are aware. Simply sending a flashlight is not good enough. We need best-in-world and effective plans that are developed in consultation with residents, to ensure that all contingencies are considered. This plan must also be communicated in an effective way both on paper and electronically, to ensure that all stakeholders are advised and informed.
* Beverley Northeast	Ward 1 Councillor	Yes Yes Yes	None
* Patrick Molloy	Ward 2 Councillor	Yes Yes Yes	None
Gary Ruona	Ward 2 Councillor	Yes No Yes	None
Bob Harrison	Ward 3 Councillor	Yes Yes Yes	None
Bruce Rodman	Ward 3 Councillor	Yes Undecided Yes	1. how is that paid for? Ont govt carries 1/4 trillion debt
Dave Granic	Ward 4 Councillor	Yes Yes Yes	None
Conrad Boyce	Ward 4 Councillor	Yes Yes Yes	None
Sally Brady	Ward 5 Councillor	Yes Undecided Yes	2. Do we need another study?

Uxbridge Candidates Who Did NOT Respond * indicates incumbent

Bob Shepherd – Mayor

*** Gerri Lynn O'Connor** – Mayor

*** Jack Ballinger** – Regional Councillor

Jon Taylor – Regional Councillor

Pamela Beach – Ward 1 Councillor

Blair Emmerson – Ward 1 Councillor

*** Pat Mikuse** – Ward 3 Councillor

Fred Bryan – Ward 4 Councillor

Joy Whalen – Ward 5 Councillor

*** Gordon Highet** – Ward 5 Councillor

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