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Sunderland Lions Music Festival

Township of Brock Council
Box 10
Cannington, Ontario, L0E 1E0

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Dear Members of Council,

The Sunderland Lions Music Festival Committee is hoping to hold a scaled down version of the festival starting April 11th, 2022. No school choir, ensemble or band participation would be scheduled.

Individual piano performances and solo voice performances would tentatively be shared with a small audience of parents, teachers and fellow participants. Adjudication will take place if we have enough participants to cover the costs.

We are requesting some direction and information as to when the Brock Township Hall in Sunderland would be available for the festival and other community events. The Sunderland Hall has been the annual home of the festival since 1958.

We would really like to rejuvenate interest in the festival which hasn't been held, because of the pandemic, since 2019. Strict adherence to Covid-19 restrictions of the day would be appropriately followed.

We are aware of other facilities that have opened in North Durham such as arenas, churches and concert buildings (some with 100% capacity). We sincerely request your careful consideration in setting an opening date for our Town Hall. As festival preparations normally require months of time prior to the event, we would appreciate hearing your decision as soon as possible.

The availability of the Sunderland Lions Music Festival is a key component in the development of musical skills and music performance amongst the youth of our area. Our dedicated music teachers also require significant lead time to help prepare their students for the festival. In conclusion, the availability of the Town Hall is key to the Sunderland Lions Music Festival.

Sincerely and musically,

The Sunderland Lions Festival Committee

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