



## Community Update – April 6, 2020

Town Council's top priority continues to be ensuring the safety of the community. Safety also includes mental health.

We are starting to see the term social distancing be replaced with the term physical distancing as the importance of staying connected increases as the pandemic endures.

We do not know when the advisories around distancing will be loosened so it is important that we find ways to stay connected with our families, friends and community. As we head into the Easter weekend, we encourage community members to be creative and find ways to stay connected while staying physically apart. We have seen some great ideas shared on social media and appreciate the efforts that many community organizations are putting into keeping our youth busy.

*This is not the time for a party – and if you're organizing them, you're bringing unnecessary danger to your community.*

*If you're young and healthy, you may not even notice that you have the virus. But you can still spread it to people who can get really sick – your parents, your grandparents, other members of your community that you know and love.*

*Dr. Kami Kandola, Chief Public Health Officer, NWT*

Please stop with the bonfires and visits with people outside of your immediate household.

The turnout Saturday at the birthday parade and drive by the Long Term Care Facility demonstrates the community spirit that is Norman Wells. These are the stories we want to be able to share once we come through the pandemic. Not stories of how the virus spread quickly because some members of our community thought that they were immune to the need to practice physical distancing. Please be a good news story.

Speaking of good news...check out **Some Good News** on YouTube with John Krasinski.

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=F5pgG1M\\_h\\_U](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=F5pgG1M_h_U)

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