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CHELSEA LAUNCHES A PUBLIC CONSULTATION TO FIND AN OFFICIAL NAME FOR ITS RESIDENTS

Chelsea, May 6, 2025 – As part of its 150th anniversary celebrations, the Municipality of Chelsea is inviting the public to participate in a consultation to find an official name for the people of Chelsea. The consultation is available online from **May 5 to 28, 2025**. The entire population is invited to submit ideas and participate in this unifying project.

Since its first municipal Council meeting in 1875, Chelsea has forged a vibrant history and a unique identity. Yet there is still no official name for the people who live here. This identity initiative aims to find a distinctive name reflecting local pride and collective identity for future generations.

Proposals must meet three criteria:

- Be easily pronounced in French and English;
- Be gender inclusive (or epicene);
- Respect the standards of the *Guide de toponymie du Québec*.

The proposals received will be submitted to the *Commission de la toponymie du Québec*, and following their comments, the Municipal Council will make a final choice.

“I am very pleased to launch this public consultation and invite all citizens to participate in this unifying project. Choosing the demonym for Chelsea together is a wonderful way to celebrate our history and strengthen our sense of belonging. I look forward to hearing your ideas and seeing how, once again, our community will come together to write a new chapter in its identity.” Pierre Guénard, Mayor of Chelsea

Details of this public consultation are available at consultations.chelsea.ca.

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