

# Delburne in Detail

October 2019



## Water Treatment Plant

The Village of Delburne wishes to thank residents and businesses for their patience during the water interruption on Tuesday, September 10th. Public Works has installed new valves at the Water Treatment Plant to ensure the reliability and continued efficiency of our water system.

We ask that the community help us with this continued maintenance of our water and sewer systems by thinking twice before flushing.

**The only item you should flush  
is toilet paper!**

## Products that are bad for sewer pipes

- **Dental Floss**

Dental floss can get wrapped around the backflow valve in the sanitary sewer pipe, resulting in raw sewage backing up into your home.

- **"Flushable" baby wipes, cleaning wipes, disposable diapers & cotton swabs.**

These products are not "flushable" and can quickly clog up a sewer pipe.

- **Cooking fats, oils and grease**

Fats, oils and grease cannot be broken down by flushing with hot water and soap.

Source: Epcor.com

These materials do NOT breakdown in our wastewater system, instead they clog the sewer pipes causing a backup and/or damage to our Wastewater Treatment facility. This is costly to fix. The Village estimates a \$10,000 repair bill each time the sewer system gets clogged.

**Just because it  
says it's  
"flushable,"  
does NOT mean  
it's  
biodegradable!**



**Other items that you shouldn't flush down a toilet:**

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|--------------------|----------------|--------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| • tampons          | • paper towel  | • hair       | • bandages        | • syringes      |
| • sanitary napkins | • kitty litter | • medication | • cigarette butts | • plastic items |