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In response to a petition, the Government of Nunavut will hold a plebiscite that asks Baker Lake residents whether they want to change their community's liquor system from unrestricted to a committee system.

The vote will be on Monday, April 26, 2021. Advanced voting will be on Monday, April 19, 2021. Elections Nunavut will administer the plebiscite.

If at least 60 per cent of voters choose “yes,” the Government will take steps to change Baker Lake’s status under the Liquor Act to a committee system. Individuals will need approval from an elected Alcohol Education Committee before they can import alcohol into the community. Alcohol Education Committees may also choose to promote alcohol awareness.

To help residents better understand the issue, the Government of Nunavut will hold two public meetings on Tuesday, April 13, 2021. The meetings will take place at 12 p.m. and 7 p.m. in the Community Hall.

Representatives from the Department of Health, Department of Finance, and Elections Nunavut will be on hand to answer questions. To respect COVID-19 restrictions, 100 people may attend each session. Refreshments will be provided.

For more information about the meeting, please email financeinfo@gov.nu.ca.

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