

Northumberland Accessibility Advisory Committee

Terms of Reference

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Context

The *Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2005* (AODA) requires that municipalities with more than 10,000 residents establish accessibility advisory committees to advise Councils in each year about the preparation, implementation and effectiveness of its accessibility plan.

Purpose

The Northumberland Accessibility Advisory Committee will provide advice, recommendations and support to County Council and all County departments regarding the development, implementation and maintenance of an Accessibility Plan in accordance with the AODA for properties and assets owned and/or utilized by the Corporation of the County of Northumberland.

Membership and Meetings

The Northumberland Accessibility Advisory Committee shall consist of:

- A majority of members being persons with disabilities as defined under the AODA
- A Chairperson as chosen by the Committee for a period of two (2) years, which may be repeated;
- Representatives of community agencies with an interest in removing barriers to people with disabilities; and/or
- Members at large including local business representatives with an interest in removing barriers to people with disabilities; and

Members of the Northumberland Accessibility Advisory Committee must be residents and/or property owners of the County of Northumberland.

Member recruitment will be initiated and approved by the Committee.

Members absent from three consecutive meetings without notice or reason shall be suspended from the committee at the discretion of the Chair.

The frequency of the meetings will be monthly or as determined by the Chair in order to meet the requirements of the Act.