



## Agenda

### Access Orangeville Committee Meeting

April 10, 2025, 10:00 a.m.

In-Person Participation Only

The Corporation of the Town of Orangeville

Town Hall - 87 Broadway

Orangeville, Ontario

## NOTICE

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## Pages

### 1. Call to Order

### 2. Disclosures of (Direct or Indirect) Pecuniary Interest

### 3. Land Acknowledgment

We would like to acknowledge the treaty lands and territory of the Williams Treaty Nations and the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation. We also recognize that Dufferin County is the traditional territory of the Wendat and the Haudenosaunee, and is home to many Indigenous people today.

### 4. Minutes of Previous Meeting

Recommendations:

That the minutes of the following meeting, be received for information:

#### 4.1 2025-03-20 Access Orangeville Minutes

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### 5. Presentations

None.

### 6. Items for Discussion and Reports

#### 6.1 Proposed Transit Route Changes

## **6.2 Joint Accessibility Committee Meeting Update**

An opportunity for Members of Access Orangeville who attended the Joint Accessibility Committee meeting on Thursday, April 3, 2025 at the Edelbrock Centre with the County of Dufferin and the Town of Shelburne, to provide an update

## **6.3 2025 Accessibility Champion Award Nomination Update**

Nominations must be submitted no later than 11:59 p.m. on Friday, April 25, 2025.

The following information must be included in the nomination:

- Name, email address, and phone number of the individual submitting the nomination.
- Name of the individual, business, or community group being nominated.
- Email address, phone number, and address of the nominee.
- Reasons for the nomination, including what they have done to make the community more accessible and inclusive.

## **7. Correspondence**

None.

## **8. Announcements**

## **9. Date of Next Meeting**

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, May 8, 2025, at 10:00 a.m.

## **10. Adjournment**

Recommendations:

That the meeting be adjourned.



## **Minutes of Access Orangeville**

**March 20, 2025, 10:00 a.m.**

**In-Person Participation Only**

**The Corporation of the Town of Orangeville**

**Town Hall - 87 Broadway**

**Orangeville, Ontario**

Members Present: Councillor R. Stevens, Chair  
J. Jackson, Vice-Chair  
S. Clarke  
M. Hartley  
K. Murphy-Fritz  
R. Ugolini  
K. Van Ryn

Members Absent: P. Charbonneau

Staff Present: G. Brennan, Legislative Assistant, Corporate Services  
S. Doherty, Manager, Recreation and Events, Community Services  
T. Dulisse, Manager, Transportation and Development, Infrastructure Services  
J. Rawn, Executive Assistant, Infrastructure Services  
L. Russell, Senior Planner, Infrastructure Services

### **1. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 10:02 a.m.

### **2. Disclosures of (Direct or Indirect) Pecuniary Interest**

None.

### **3. Land Acknowledgment**

Councillor R. Stevens, Chair, acknowledged the treaty lands and territory of the Williams Treaty Nations and the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation. The Chair also recognized that Dufferin County is the traditional territory of the Wendat and the Haudenosaunee and is home to many Indigenous people today.

#### **4. Minutes of Previous Meeting**

**2025-007**

**Moved By** J. Jackson

That the minutes of the following meeting, be received for information.

##### **4.1 2025-02-13 - Access Orangeville - Minutes**

**Carried**

#### **5. Presentations**

##### **5.1 Melanie Chin & Kim Kelly, Canine Services, Service Dog Training**

Melanie Chin & Kim Kelly, Canine Services, provided a presentation regarding service animals. Ms. Chin discussed the definition of a service dog and the distinction between other support animals. Ms. Chin discussed the public access requirements for service dogs, documentation an individual should carry, and the rights of individuals with service dogs as per Bill 80, Ontario Service Dogs Act, 2016. Ms. Chin shared the training methods that service dogs undertake and the various disabilities they can assist with. The Committee asked questions to Ms. Chin and discussed requirements for service dogs in Town facilities and on public transit.

##### **5.2 Sara MacRae, Manager of Climate and Energy & Kylie-Anne Grube, Climate Engagement Specialist, Dufferin County, Follow-up to the Community Resilience Hub Project**

Sara MacRae, Manager of Climate and Energy, Dufferin County, provided a follow up presentation on the Community Resilience Hub project. Ms. MacRae advised the Committee that after a period of engagement and outreach, Dufferin County has two proposed designs. Additionally, Ms. MacRae discussed the new proposed location of the hub, the land alterations that may be required, the proposed features and materials, and shared previous feedback from community partners. The Committee asked questions regarding the materials that will be used and discussed the possibility of utilizing leaning tubes and creating wheelchair accessible

areas to ensure the area is inclusive. Ms. MacRae advised the Committee that after another round of public engagement, final designs for the Community Resilience Hub will be shared. Additionally, Ms. MacRae shared that an accessibility report will be completed as part of the project.

## **6. Items for Discussion and Reports**

### **6.1 Site Plan Application - 515 Broadway**

The Committee reviewed the site plan application for 515 Broadway. The Committee discussed the proposed visitor parking requirements, and if any proposed dwellings will be accessible units. Larysa Russell, Senior Planner, Infrastructure Services, advised the Committee that there are 15 proposed visitor parking spaces, with three (3) being accessible. Additionally, Ms. Russell advised the Committee that the proposed development does not include any accessible units.

### **6.2 Stop Gap Program Update**

Sharon Doherty, Manager, Recreation and Events, Community Services, provided an update on the Stop Gap Program. Ms. Doherty advised the Committee of upcoming discussions with surrounding municipalities that have implemented a stop gap program. Ms. Doherty aims to come back to the Committee with a fulsome update on the implementation and roll out plan for businesses later in 2025. The Committee discussed meeting with local organizations to champion the Stop Gap Program and the challenges associated with liability of the ramps.

### **6.3 Transportation Master Plan**

Tony Dulisse, Manager, Transportation and Development, Infrastructure Services advised the Committee on the sign-up process to provide feedback regarding the Transportation Master Plan. The Committee discussed the goals of the Transportation Master Plan including if the plan will result in the Town receiving fully accessible buses for public transit. Mr. Dulisse discussed the challenges with the Town's previous bus suppliers and the conversations with surrounding municipalities to help streamline the purchasing of new transit buses.

### **6.4 Sponsorship of Recreational Activities**

M. Hartley discussed utilizing the Saputo Health and Lifestyle Centre for individuals with accessibility concerns. S. Doherty advised the Committee on the community and recreational programs that are currently being

offered to support those with accessibility, mobility, or neurodiversity challenges.

**2025-008**

**Moved By** J. Jackson

That Access Orangeville sponsor community swims during Accessibility Week (May 25 - May 31, 2025).

**Carried**

## **6.5 Accelerating Accessibility Coalition**

**2025-009**

**Moved By** K. Van Ryn

That this item be deferred to the April 3rd Access Orangeville meeting.

**Carried**

## **6.6 Joint Accessibility Committee Meeting**

Councillor R. Stevens, Chair, advised the Committee that a Joint Accessibility Committee meeting between the Town of Orangeville, Town of Shelburne, and Dufferin County has been scheduled for Thursday, April 3, 2025, from 6 - 8 p.m. at the Edelbrock Centre. Access Orangeville members were asked to RSVP and provide agenda items as soon as possible.

## **7. Correspondence**

None.

## **8. Announcements**

Creative Partners on Stage - Performances from Thursday, April 11, 2025 - Sunday, April 13, 2025, at Theatre Orangeville.

## **9. Date of Next Meeting**

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, April 10, 2025, at 10 a.m.

## **10. Adjournment**

**2025-010**

**Moved By** J. Jackson

That the meeting be adjourned at 12:21 p.m.

**Carried**

## JOINT ACCESSIBILITY COMMITTEE AGENDA

Thursday, April 3, 2025, 6:00 pm

W & M Edelbrock Centre, 30 Centre Street, Orangeville

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### 1. CALL TO ORDER

### 2. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT STATEMENT

We would like to begin by respectfully acknowledging that Dufferin County resides within the traditional territory and ancestral lands of the Tionontati (Petun), Attawandaron (Neutral), Haudenosaunee (Six Nations), and Anishinaabe peoples.

We also acknowledge that various municipalities within the County of Dufferin reside within the treaty lands named under the Haldimand Deed of 1784 and two of the Williams Treaties of 1818: Treaty 18: the Nottawasaga Purchase, and Treaty 19: The Ajetance Treaty.

These traditional territories upon which we live and learn, are steeped in rich Indigenous history and traditions. It is with this statement that we declare to honour and respect the past and present connection of Indigenous peoples with this land, its waterways and resources.

### 3. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST BY MEMBERS

Members are required to state any pecuniary interest in accordance with the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act.

### 4. REPORTS

#### 4.1 **Alternate Argumentative Communication Training**

Kim Van Ryn, Branching Out Support Services, to provide training regarding alternative argumentative communication.

#### 4.2 **County-Wide Transit**

Brenda Wagner, Director of Health and Human Resources, to review transit services currently offered by Dufferin County and the work of the County-Wide Transit Ad Hoc Committee.

#### 4.3 **Other Business**



5. NEXT MEETING

To be announced

6. ADJOURNMENT