

Subject: Age Friendly Committee Annual Work Plan

**Department:** Corporate Services

Division: Recreation

Report #: CMS-2023-044

Meeting Date: 2023-11-13

#### Recommendations

That report CMS-2023-044, Age Friendly Committee Annual Work Plan, be received.

# **Background and Analysis**

The Age Friendly Committee is a Committee of Council and represents the older population of Orangeville. Councillor Andy Macintosh is currently the Chair. The 2018-2022 Term of Council did not have an Age Friendly Committee. Council re-established the committee for the 2022-2026 term. The committee discusses community matters as it relates to aging well, based on various criteria like the state of infrastructure and the breadth of services; recommendations are presented to Council as appropriate.

The committee has developed a work plan for 2023-2024 as attached. The committee will review the Age Friendly Action Plan 2016-2019 and the five (5) strategic priorities and the strategies for improvement.

Orangeville's five (5) priorities for an age-friendly community are:

- Reducing Social Isolation;
- Integrating Cross-Departmental Planning;
- Strengthening Accessibility with an Age-Friendly Lens;
- Building Age-Friendly Awareness & Supports in the Private Sector; and
- Addressing Ageism Across All Sectors.

An annual report will be prepared for Council to provide an update on the completion of strategies as outlined in the plan and next steps.

In addition, the committee is planning community engagement through promoting Seniors Month in June and National Seniors Day, October 1, annually. Other work plan items include supporting municipal programs and services such as recreation programs, fire awareness and prevention initiatives. The committee will also make recommendations to Council on the provincial senior of the year award nominations.

# **Strategic Alignment**

# Strategic Plan

Strategic Goal: Community Vitality

Objective: Vibrancy – Build a more inclusive community, and ensure citizen involvement.

Well-being – Support citizen and staff health, security, and well-being

#### **Sustainable Neighbourhood Action Plan**

Theme: Social Well-being

Strategy: Provide accessible social and community program options that support health,

wellness and learning.

#### **Notice Provisions**

Not applicable

#### **Financial Impact**

The 2023 Age Friendly Committee budget is \$5,000, the 2024 budget will continue this allocation, pending Council approval.

The committee will make recommendations to Council as to how to allocate this budget as work progresses.

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Attachment(s): 1. Age Friendly Work Plan 2023-24