



Subject: Terms of Reference – Men’s Homelessness Committee

Department: Corporate Services

Division: Clerks

Report #: CPS-2021-043

Meeting Date: 2021-05-31

Recommendations

That Report CPS-2021-043 regarding the creation of a Men’s Homelessness Committee be received; and

That the terms of reference for a Men’s Homelessness Committee as outlined in Report CPS-2021-043 be approved; and

That staff proceed with the recruitment of members.

Background and Analysis

On April 26, 2021 Council passed the following resolution:

“Whereas women and children who find themselves in difficult circumstances, sometimes homeless, are supported by a strong network including Dufferin Child and Family Services and Family Transition Place

And whereas there are men that can also find themselves in difficult circumstances, including homelessness,

And whereas the Town of Orangeville is a caring and benevolent community that should be offering support to men in need,

And whereas there is a need for a men’s emergency shelter and other supporting resources in the Town of Orangeville,

That a Mayor’s Special Committee on Men’s Homelessness be created to explore options and approach various stakeholders to research the issue with the goal of resolving the men’s emergency shelter issue in Orangeville.”

Terms of Reference

Goals and Reporting to Council

The mandate of the Committee is to advise and identify options for the establishment of a permanent emergency shelter and support services to assist men in crisis.

The Committee will bring forward a recommendation report to Council on the following:

- completion of a needs assessment
- identification of options for the location of a permanent emergency shelter
- identification of operational needs, program delivery considerations and resources
- identification of funding sources and fundraising opportunities

Membership

The Committee shall consist of eleven (11) members comprised of:

- 3 Members of Council including the Mayor
- 6 citizens who reside in, work or volunteer in the Town of Orangeville
- 2 representatives from either of the following:
 - Dufferin County Community Advisory Board;
 - Dufferin County Health & Human Services Committee; or
 - Social Service Agency

Strategic Alignment

Orangeville Forward – Strategic Plan

Priority Area: Community Stewardship

Objective: Engaged and Involved

Sustainable Neighbourhood Action Plan

Theme: Social well-being

Strategy: Promote Orangeville as an engaged, inclusive, community for all

Notice Provisions

Staff will give notice inviting interested community members to apply.

Financial Impact

Staff resources are required to provide administrative support to the committee. The committee will report directly to Council regarding any funds required to support the completion of its objectives.

Respectfully submitted

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Attachment(s): 1. Terms of Reference – Men’s Homelessness Committee