

PURPOSE OF BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

1. AGE FRIENDLY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The Township of West Lincoln's Age Friendly Advisory Committee (WLAFAC) mandate is to provide input and suggestions to Township Council and staff on matters and initiatives aimed at making the Township of West Lincoln a more age-friendly community, and enabling all residents and visitors to participate as full and meaningful community member. The Age Friendly Committee may consist of a maximum of twelve (12) voting members.

2. COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT

The Committee of Adjustment is an independent body appointed by Council under authority granted by the Province through the Planning Act. The Committee consists of five members of the public. The purpose of this committee is to consider minor variances/adjustments to the setback provisions of to the Township of West Lincoln's zoning by-law and grant consent approval for the severance of land for the creation of new lots or for boundary adjustments in accordance with policy. The Committee of Adjustment Committee consists of not fewer than three (3) members (suggest five (5) members) appointed by Council, for the 4 Year Term of Council (2022 – 2026).

3. COURT OF REVISION

The Court of Revision is responsible for hearing appeals from landowners relating to assessments imposed on them as a result of drainage works that are undertaken under the authority of the Drainage Act. The appeals would relate to the portion of the cost for the proposed drainage works which is assessed to specific land owners. The Court of Revision consists of three (3) or five (5) members appointed by Council, for the 4 Year Term of Council (2026 – 2026). Every Member shall be a person eligible to be elected as a Member of Council or shall be a Member of Council.

4. JOINT ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The Joint Accessibility Advisory Committee is a legislated Committee as required under the Ontarians with Disabilities Act (ODA) and Ontario Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2005 (AODA). The mandate of the committee is to assist Council in improving opportunities for persons with disabilities by promoting the implementation of the Ontarians with Disabilities Act (ODA) and Ontario Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2005 (AODA) for the Township of West Lincoln. The Joint Accessibility Advisory Committee will achieve this objective by advising Council each year and, as required by the Act, by preparing an annual progress report on the municipality's Multi-Year Accessibility Plan for Council approval which will focus on the identification, removal and prevention of barriers to people with disabilities.

The municipalities of Grimsby, Lincoln, Niagara-on-the-Lake, Pelham, Thorold and West Lincoln formed a joint Accessibility Advisory Committee under the provisions of the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2005 and Ontario Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2005 (AODA).

The main purposes and activities of the Accessibility Advisory Committee are:

- To advise Councils on the preparation, implementation and effectiveness of a Multi-Year Accessibility Plan and provide Annual Progress Reports
- To review site plans and advise on accessibility issues relating to identified buildings within the Municipalities

- To advise Councils on other accessibility related issues within the Municipalities including policies and procedures associated with accessibility issues, customer service etc.

5. LIVESTOCK VALUER

Under the Protection of Livestock and Poultry from Dogs Act Council appoints at least one or more persons as valuers of livestock and poultry, to assess damage to livestock caused by animal attacks. The livestock valuers are responsible for assessing values and determining if the loss of livestock and poultry was attributable to attacks by wolves, coyotes or stray dogs. In most cases there are three (3) persons appointed by Council for the 4 Year Term of Council (2022 – 2026).

6. MAYOR'S YOUTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE (MYAC)

The mandate of the Mayor's Youth Advisory Committee (MYAC) is to ensure that youth are involved in the decisions made within the Township of West Lincoln that affect them, their families and friends. The MYAC will inform and involve other youth in the Township of West Lincoln. This Committee (MYAC) will provide an authentic voice for youth in the community and seek to provide quality programs created by youth for youth. MYAC intends to achieve this by solidifying relationships between youth and the community at large and by initiating and supporting youth oriented events and programs. The Committee consists of the Mayor and a minimum of twelve (12) and maximum of eighteen (18) youth (age 12-18) of the community.

7. WEST LINCOLN HERITAGE COMMITTEE

The West Lincoln Heritage Committee is an Advisory Committee to Council constituted to make recommendations on matters relating to the Ontario Heritage Act, including the identification, preservation, conservation and restoration of buildings in the Township of West Lincoln that are historically, culturally or architecturally significant to the community. The Heritage Committee consists of not fewer than five (5) members appointed by Council, for the 4 Year Term of Council (2022 – 2026).

8. WEST LINCOLN PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD

The Public Library Board consists of at least five (5) persons (no more than nine (9) persons) appointed by Council one of whom is a member of Council and the remainder being appointed citizens. The Board is responsible for the operation, maintenance and promotion of the Township's library branches pursuant to applicable legislation. A person is qualified to be appointed as a member of a board who is a member of the appointing council or is at least eighteen years old, is a Canadian citizen is a resident of the municipality for which the board is established and is not employed by the board or by the municipality.