In 2017 the Burlington Seniors’ Advisory Committee (BSAC) included an actively engaged membership. Listed below are some of its activities and achievements:

- Delegated to Council for improved transit including: free transit for seniors mid-week, revert to the 70-30 Provincial Gas Tax split, and transit service on December 25 and January 1
- Participated in the development of the Burlington Active Aging Plan
- Updated its PowerPoint presentation to include the new Active Aging Plan, and clarified the data base of services/contacts for seniors
- Participated in round-table discussions on senior housing with the Lieutenant Governor of Ontario and sat on the Mayor’s Affordable Housing Task Force
- Represented Burlington seniors’ perspectives and gathered information on relevant initiatives and activities through active participation on other Burlington/Halton citizen committees:
  - Burlington Accessibility Advisory Committee
  - Burlington Inclusivity Advisory Committee
  - Burlington Integrated Transportation Advisory Committee
  - Halton Region’s Older Adult Advisory Committee
- Participated in the Emergency Management group and attended workshops at Sheridan College on natural disasters
- Increased community awareness and participation through attendance at community events including:
  - National Seniors' Day at the Burlington Seniors' Centre
  - Seniors' Housing Options Trade Show
  - 55+ Symposium Trade Show
  - PACE information session (a program for all-inclusive care for the elderly)
- Community presentations at St. Luke’s Church, Burlington Public Library, Martha Terrace Apartment, Housing Options for Seniors Show (Holiday Inn), Knox Presbyterian Church, Karina Gould’s 55+ Symposium (Burlington Seniors’ Centre), Burlington Towers Apartments, St. John the Baptist Church and Compass Point Church.
- Key stakeholder in the Transit Network Planning Workshop
- Established a working relationship with the new Director of Transit on the Integrated Transit Mobility Plan
- Distributed over 700 emergency information vials to seniors in partnership with Halton Region EMS
2018 Workplan

The 2018 work plan for the Burlington Seniors’ Advisory Committee focuses on active-aging strategies to support Burlington’s Active Aging Plan. Two sub-committees will work on the majority of the objectives.

Communications Sub-Committee:

- promote fee assistance through community presentations.
- raise BSAC’s awareness by attending a Chamber of Commerce Trade Show.
- explore options for expanding Seniors’ Month celebrations.

Advocacy Sub-Committee:

- conduct site visits/audits at recreation facilities that have older adult programming (Tansley Woods, Burlington Seniors’ Centre, Brant Hills, Mainway, Haber and Aldershot Pool).
- connect with staff about access issues to city facilities from the sidewalk, especially in winter (ie. Brant Hills).
- participate in the City’s transit review.
- review and contact Hamilton LHIN to discuss the community paramedic wellness check program.

BSAC as a whole:

- nominate the city for the province's Age-Friendly Communities Recognition Award.
- invite staff from various departments to learn about budget opportunities (RPF, Capital Works, Supervisor of Operations for Community Centres).