

Appendix B – CW-07-18

Sustainable Development Committee 2018 Objectives

Committee of the Whole 2018 Objectives:

1. Continue to participate in the public engagement process for the new Official Plan and submit comments on issues of sustainability.
2. Effectively engage with our network of contacts including city staff, alumni and other organizations to:
 - a. Communicate events we undertake;
 - b. Draw on their expertise and experience;
 - c. Develop support for initiatives we undertake or ideas we are pursuing such as zero waste, net carbon zero community and improving transportation.
3. Actively participate in various external committees and groups, and bring findings back to the committee, staff and council.
4. Invite representatives from various external organizations, (e.g. other municipal sustainability committees), to speak about the goals and objectives of their groups. Follow up on recommendations and proposals presented.
5. Encourage committee members to share articles about a topic, issue, book or organization for the purpose of educating other members.
6. Promote the State of the Environment Report (SOER) V in the community and continue to encourage council and staff to implement its recommendations. Work with city staff to explore and investigate alternative options to complete a future State of the Environment Report (VI) for the City of Burlington.

Awareness Sub-committee 2018 Objectives

For 2018, the Sub-committee will continue its focus on the theme of climate change and what individuals can do to reduce their GHG footprint. Public events and communications will be focused around that theme.

1. Support the city's sustainability initiatives, such as the Community Energy Plan and community engagement. The Community Energy Plan (CEP) will continue to be advertised at all events in which SDC members participate. The SDC is represented on the CEP's Stakeholder Advisory Committee as well as the Community Engagement Task Group.
2. Co-host, with the Burlington Public Library, one event in the spring pertaining to urban agriculture.
3. Co-host, with the Burlington Public Library, one event in the fall pertaining to a sustainability issue.
4. Participate in relevant community events such as BurlingtonGreen's Clean Up Green Up event (April), Appleby Line Street Festival (September), etc.
5. Employ social media to promote SDC events through subcommittee members' social media accounts. Recommend topics for the 'Take Action Burlington' blog.
6. Plan an educational field trip for membership.
7. Create a Carbon Savings App

Policy & Development Sub-committee 2018 Objectives

1. Monitor progress on the City's Proposed Official Plan and key supporting documents as they progress to Regional approval, and provide input as deemed appropriate.
2. Provide input on policy, planning and development items sent to the Subcommittee for comment per the P&D protocol. Monitor comments from staff on our reviews and dialogue with them when appropriate.
3. Promote our Principles & Objectives and guidelines at the pre-consultation stage with a clear message that Burlington is a Sustainable Development community. Work with City staff on applying the principles of sustainable

neighbourhood and site design (such as those found in LEED Neighbourhood Development, LEED standards for new construction and similar standards) to urban design and other guidelines, secondary plans, and major development applications. Develop a document identifying opportunities for application of Sustainable Building Guidelines throughout the various stages of the development process.

4. Support the Community Energy Plan and the principle of environmental protection through the objectives of energy conservation and a balanced transportation system in a manner that reduces greenhouse gas emissions. We will encourage the use of electric/hybrid vehicles, district heating including renewable energy, and switching building heating from fossil fuels to electricity based alternatives.
5. Promote our Principles & Objectives and guidelines by providing input and participating in municipal, regional and provincial planning and policy groups regarding transit and transportation such as:
 - Niagara to GTA Corridor Study
 - Metrolinx
 - Regional Transportation Plan
 - Travel Demand Management Policy
 - Transportation Master Plan
 - Cycling Master Plan
 - Parks, Recreation and Cultural Assets Master Plan, and
 - Transit Master Plan

6. Promote our Principles & Objectives and guidelines by participating in public meetings and stakeholder committees.
7. Provide education and training to SDC members:
 - Invite guest speakers to provide education and information on topics of interest. Speakers could include people who work in sustainable development in nearby municipalities of similar size.
 - Organize a trip or visit that may relate to an area of focus or generally to the concept of sustainability, in connection with the Burlington Sustainable Development Committee Principles & Objectives.
 - Review P&D material with the sub-committee,
 - Investigate new technologies, and
 - Provide yearly training on planning knowledge and the Principles & Objectives.
8. Set expectations and effectively utilize and recognize the unique talents of the subcommittee members.
9. Maintain, update and grow the P&D resource library. Incorporate more comments and documents from prior years.