



**Environmental Advisory Committee  
2018 – 2022 Term of Council**

**Terms of Reference**

**Meeting Frequency**

Meets bi-monthly, on the 4th Tuesday evening of the month. Time is subject to discussion and availability of selected members.

**Mandate**

The purpose of the Environmental Advisory Committee is to advise, assist and make recommendations to Council with respect to environmental issues when directed to by Council. The Environmental Advisory Committee shall align its work with the Town of New Tecumseth Strategic Plan to preserve and enhance the Town's environmentally significant resources and to promote environmentally sensitive, responsible practices and development that support the Town's natural features.

The Committee shall be familiar and act in accordance with the mission, vision and values of the Strategic Plan. The Environmental Committee will be directly concerned with Strategy 4: Environmental Sustainability which reads; "Environmental issues are at the forefront of discussion in all parts of the world, and the Town of New Tecumseth commits to the preservation of its unique physical environment. That role is to lead by demonstrating best practices when it comes to preserving water, land, trees, wildlife and the air."

As requested by Council the Committee may be required to:

1. Review existing Town policies, programs and by-laws pertaining to the environment and make recommendations to Council with regard to same.
2. Identify opportunities to implement initiatives for education, outreach, public awareness and public consultation with regard to environmental matters and to investigate funding for same.
3. Review studies, plans, proposals and other documents referred to the Committee by Council and provide recommendations if requested with an environmental perspective.
4. Provide background research and information to Council on matters related to the environment when advised, with particular attention being paid to the objectives from the Strategic Plan.

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**Composition of the Committee**

<b>Citizen Members</b>	<b>Council Members</b>	<b>Staff Support</b>
Five (5) citizen members	Two (2) members of Council	Director of Planning and Development
		Committee Secretary

**Rules of Procedure**

All meetings of the Environmental Advisory Committee shall be conducted in accordance with the committee procedures as approved by Council.

Council approval is required prior to the implementation of any recommendations that have been forwarded to Council. The allocation of Town resources, such as staff and budget, may be provided to the Committee as directed by Council.