

Newmarket Environmental Advisory Committee



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Advisory Committee

Presentation to Council

June 25, 2018

Overview

1. Mandate, Committee members
2. Accomplishments & Future actions
3. Challenges & Recommendations
4. Moving Forward Together

NEAC Today

Who We Are

A group of skilled and passionate people dedicated to Newmarket's environmental initiatives

Our Mandate

Advise Council and Staff on environmental issues in the Town



Accomplishments

- Hosted Regional EACs June 12th
- Input into:
 - A. Community Energy Plan
 - B. Stormwater Management Plan
 - C. Tree Policy and Woodlot Bylaw
 - D. Input Textile Recycling RFP
- Public Engagement: E-waste Recycling & Community Garage Sale Day May 26th

E-Waste & Garage Sale (May 26, 2018)



Mayor Tony van Bynen, Dena Farsad, Councillors
Christina Bisanz and Tom Vegh, John Birchall, and Carin
Binder
Total E-waste collected: 6,619 LBS (3 metric tonnes)



Events continued...



NEAC- Future Actions*

- Assist in implementation of Textile Program
- Energy grants/funding
- Public Engagement - revival of Green Series and Ian Gray Award
- Jointly develop strategic Environmental Plan which incorporates NEAC's work plan

NEAC 2018-2019 Workplan

- Energy (MEP; lighting standards and by-laws; Ontario's Climate Change Action Plan)
- Water (Water Quality, Stormwater Management Plan and LID;)
- Soil and Vegetation (Reducing soil diversion from development; Expanding Community Gardens)
- Public Outreach and Education (Community Garage Sale and E-Waste Recycling Events; Annual Public Forum/Lecture Series)



"What's the matter?
It's the same distance!"

Recommendations

- Environmental issues integrated into formalized Newmarket Strategic Plan
- Involve NEAC in current/future environmental initiatives
- Increase Town of Newmarket staff participation at NEAC meetings

Moving Forward Together

- NEAC to collaborate with Newmarket Council and Staff to develop a comprehensive strategic Environmental policy
- NEAC integral to a plan that strengthens our community's dedication to the environment for a better future

THANK YOU

NEAC

Tom Vegh- Council Member

Dena Farsad- Chair

Carin Binder- Vice-Chair

John Birchall- past Chair

Gina Anderson,

Catherine Ethier P.Eng,

Jill King,

Ben Longstaff,

Andrew Walkom- staff