



# Age-Friendly Community Plan Update

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Council Meeting – Tuesday, October 13, 2015

## Background

- Town received a grant of \$25,000 from the Ontario Senior's Secretariat to assist the Town in creating an Age-Friendly Community (AFC) Plan
- Town hired Shercon Associates Inc. to assist in the plan creation.
- Project commenced August 13<sup>th</sup>, 2015
- Must be completed by March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2016



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## Senior Advisory Steering Committee (SASC)

- Council appointed the following members:
- Eric Hanna, CEO, Arnprior Regional Health
- Dennis Harrington, Arnprior Seniors At Home
- Pat Shaw, Citizen Member
- Marjory Hyndman, Citizen Member
- Sandra Elliot, Citizen Member
- David Sheridan, Shercon Associates
- Jane Dowd, Nick Smith Centre Staff
- Karen Deluca, Chief Librarian
- Robin Smith, Planner
- Kaila Zamojski, Secretariat Services Coordinator



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## Stage 1 - Needs Assessment

- A number of separate but interrelated data gathering initiatives are being undertaken to create a blend of qualitative and quantitative information about the present state of “Age-Friendliness” in Arnprior.
- Review of documentation, inventory of community resources, public consultation
- Creation of the “Present State Community Profile”



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## Stage 1 - Consultation

- Opportunities for public involvement:
  - Five (5) Senior's Focus Groups held on October 5<sup>th</sup> , 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> at Islandview Suites, The Villa, The Grove, the NSC and the Legion, facilitated by consultants
  - Community Survey – questionnaire designed and posted soliciting information from all members of the community on perceptions of the system of services and supports for seniors.
    - Closes October 19<sup>th</sup>.



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## Stage 1 cont'd.

- Provider Survey – questionnaire designed and circulated to gather detailed input from all direct and indirect providers of services to seniors in Arnprior and area.
  - Closes Oct. 16th
- Key Informant Interviews – interviews by phone or in person with politicians, business owners, specialists in field, seniors service providers and other community leaders.
  - These are currently being undertaken.



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## Stage 2 - Action Planning

- Converts the Needs Assessment data into a practical set of goals, priorities and feasible implementation strategies.
  - A Community Stakeholder Forum will be held **October 29<sup>th</sup>** to review the information gathered and set future directions.
  - A Community Discussion Paper will be circulated (**Nov. 4<sup>th</sup>**) that describes the emerging strategy and action plan.



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## Stage 2 - cont'd.

- Implementation Planning Workshop in **early December** will develop a solid action plan with a rollout strategy, clear and specific implementation steps and a sustainability plan.
  - High level goals and mapping to existing Town or community plans and work
  - Strategies and action steps to achieve goals
  - Deliverables



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## Stage 3 - Report and Sustainability

- Draft Strategy Report and Implementation Plan and then Final AFC Plan
  - The final plan will include implementation steps, timeframes, accountabilities and deliverables, as well as specific consultant recommendations on sustainability – keeping the plan alive.

### **Tentative Dates:**

CDAC – January 2016

Council – Tabled February 22, 2016

Council – receive March 14, 2016



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# Questions?



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