



City of Brockville

Municipal Accessibility Advisory Committee

Agenda

1:00 PM - Tuesday, October 29, 2019

City Hall, Boardroom

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Chair's Remarks

Disclosure of Interest

Adoption of the Minutes

3 - 5 *THAT the minutes of the Brockville Municipal Accessibility Advisory Committee meeting dated September 24, 2019 be adopted as circulated.*

Business Arising from the Minutes

Delegations/Presentations

Nil.

Correspondence & Communications

Nil.

6 - 37 1. Accessibility in the Built Environment - Webinar slides

- **Dale Mosley**, Sarnia, Accessibility Coordinator
- **Michelle Dellamora**, London, Specialist, Age Friendly Network
- **Warren Rupnarain**, Vaughan, Accessibility & Diversity Coordinator

Staff Reports

Nil.

New Business

1. Draft Active Transportation Plan
(copy will be circulated at the meeting)

<https://brockville.com/activetransportation>

Sub-Committee and Member Reports/Project Updates

1. Accessibility Plan Review

Capital Budget - Review

- 38 1. October 2019

Adjournment

THAT the BMAAC meeting be adjourned until its next regular meeting scheduled for November 26, 2019.



City of Brockville

Municipal Accessibility Advisory Committee Minutes

1:00 PM - Tuesday, September 24, 2019

City Hall, Boardroom

The Municipal Accessibility Advisory Committee meeting was called to order on Tuesday, September 24, 2019, at 1:00 PM, in the City Hall, Boardroom, with the following present:

Members Present: Ryan Billing, Greg Bamber, Mary Ann Greenwood, Nancy Gardner, and Doug Hone
Regrets: Nil.
Staff: Lynn Murray, Deputy City Clerk

1. CHAIR'S REMARKS

Nil.

2. DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

Nil.

3. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

Moved by: D. Hone

Seconded by: M. Greenwood

THAT the minutes of the Brockville Municipal Accessibility Advisory Committee meeting dated July 23, 2019 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

1. Blockhouse Island

M. Greenwood spoke with M. Locke regarding paths and tables changes from original design. She added that they will need to change the direction of the table.

M. Greenwood will also review the curb cuts on the Island with M. Locke.

5. DELEGATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

Nil.

6. CORRESPONDENCE & COMMUNICATIONS

Nil.

7. STAFF REPORTS

Nil.

8. NEW BUSINESS

1. Tunnel Accessibility

R. Billing discussed the fact that it looks bad that the ramp is not paved. They hope that it is paved before next tunnel season.

2. Creation of an Accessibility Plan

R. Billing would like to see the Committee create a priorities plan that would be updated annually. He added that as the Committee goes forward they are becoming an advisory only committee.

3. Conventional/Para Transit Bus Service

M. Greenwood had some concerns regarding the cost of a trip on para transit to and from Sherwood Park Manor. She believes that both services are to be offered at the same cost to a rider. She has come across a situation where this is not the case. L. Murray will follow up with M. Locke regarding this issue.

9. SUB-COMMITTEE AND MEMBER REPORTS/PROJECT UPDATES

1. Rotary Field House - updates

R. Billing discussed the previous ask of \$50,000 for the field house renovations. L. Murray referred to staff report 2019-129-09 that had just been approved by Council covering \$200,000 of the renovation costs. Ryan will confirm with Conal if there are still funds needed from accessible funds.

2. Blockhouse Island Accessibility

Recommendations regarding the following matters are being sought:

1. Conversion of parking space (south west corner of green space) to accessible parking space or No Parking space

2. Placement of existing accessible table. Should it be moved to straighten to the path?
3. Install additional table?

R. Billing and M. Greenwood will follow up with M. Locke regarding these matters.

10. CAPITAL BUDGET – REVIEW

Not available at this time.

11. PARKING LOT

1. Accessible matting - beaches
2. Waterproof wheelchair
3. Accessible City Parks Inventory

12. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by: D. Hone

THAT the BMAAC meeting be adjourned until its next regular meeting scheduled for October 22, 2019.

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 2:33 pm.

Accessibility in the Built Environment

People Serving People



About City of Sarnia

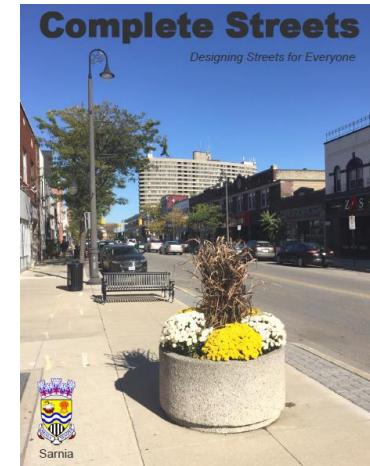
- Sarnia's Population is about 4 years older than the province of Ontario's average (46.7 and 42.3)
- Sarnia has both an Age-Friendly initiative with seven committees and over 70 volunteers and an Accessibility Advisory Committee (AAC) with 17 volunteers and staff
- Both Age-Friendly and the AAC are highly active in the community and play key roles in building an environment of accessibility

The Built Environment

- There is a culture of accessibility at the Corporation of the City of Sarnia and staff incorporate accessibility/universal design into all construction and new builds
- Staff must do a presentation to the City of Sarnia AAC on any major construction or new builds for review and comments
- Key staff attend AAC meetings depending on topics
- Accessibility must be approved at site-plan meetings before new construction moves forward

The Importance of Accessibility Outreach and Promotions

- Use of social media helps promote the importance of accessibility projects and to receive feedback from the public
- Completion of documents such as Streetscape Design that includes accessibility and Education Cards on Mobility Scooters
- Relationship with Media to promote programming and get the word out about “good news” project/events



SPACES WHERE TRANSPORTATION DEVICES MAY BE USED



Unique Projects

- **Age-Friendly Sarnia** - Supporting Health Aging across every age and stage of life
 - Have an Age-Friendly Coordinator and a Committee Specific to Public Spaces and Built Environment
- **Breaking Barriers to Business** - Assisted 55 businesses in becoming more accessible in 16 months

Unique Projects

- **Accessibility Awards** - started in 2012 and over 40 businesses receiving awards
 - Categories for large and small business, improving inclusion, physical environment and inspiration award
- **Accessibility Summit** - hosted three summits with 200 people at each. Had a number of prominent speakers including Hon. David Onley

Created Standards Passed by Council

- Playground Standard
- Trail Standard
- Beach Standard
- Bench Standard
- Accessible Bus Stops



Bluewater Trails

- 50 kms trails and pathways
- Created a trail standard that was approved by the Accessibility Advisory Committee (AAC)
- Widened the trail, added crushed limestone, benches and resting stations, and made entrances more accessible
- Partnered with the County of Lambton to add a map to the website that details the accessible features of the trail
- Marketing campaign encouraging users with mobility devices to use the trails



Improvements to Beaches

- Added accessible beach matting to three areas of the beach for easier access
- Two “beach chairs” are available for loan from the life guards
- Accessible washroom with change table
- Added accessible entrance to the beach including parking and concrete
- Created an accessible beach standard that has been approved by the AAC



Charging Stations

- Started pilot in fall 2016
- Added 13 to public spaces throughout the City and County
- Added 3 more at hospital locations
- Added 9 new locations in 2019 and 3 in 2019
- Implemented a program to encourage businesses to install charging stations



Centennial Park

- Added healing garden with raised garden beds (more coming in 2018)
- Added adult change tables to washrooms
- Accessible paths and ramps throughout
- Created an accessible play space and rest area standards approved by AAC
- Engineered wood fibres are accessible for playground
- Access to stage



Accessible Transit

- 23 accessible buses and 5 Care-A-Vans
- Created a standard on accessible bus stops approved by AAC (3 solar)
- Large improvement on accessible infrastructure to support passengers by adding 90 bus stops in 2017
- Plans to add more accessible bus stops in 2019



Arenas

- Added a sledge hockey rink with see through glass for the players
- Added accessible dressing rooms
- Accessible washrooms and entrances
- Made improvements to accessible viewing areas
- Planning on adding more accessible change area just for sledge hockey teams



Questions?



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Accessibility Through an Age Friendly Lens

Michelle Dellamora

Manager, Manager, Policy & Strategic Issues, Neighbourhood, Children, and Fire Services

City of London

London, Ontario

Population: 383,822
Senior Population: 59,775, or 16.6%
Dependency Ratio: 48.6
Population Average Age: 40.5 years

2016 Census Data



City of London Strategic Plan



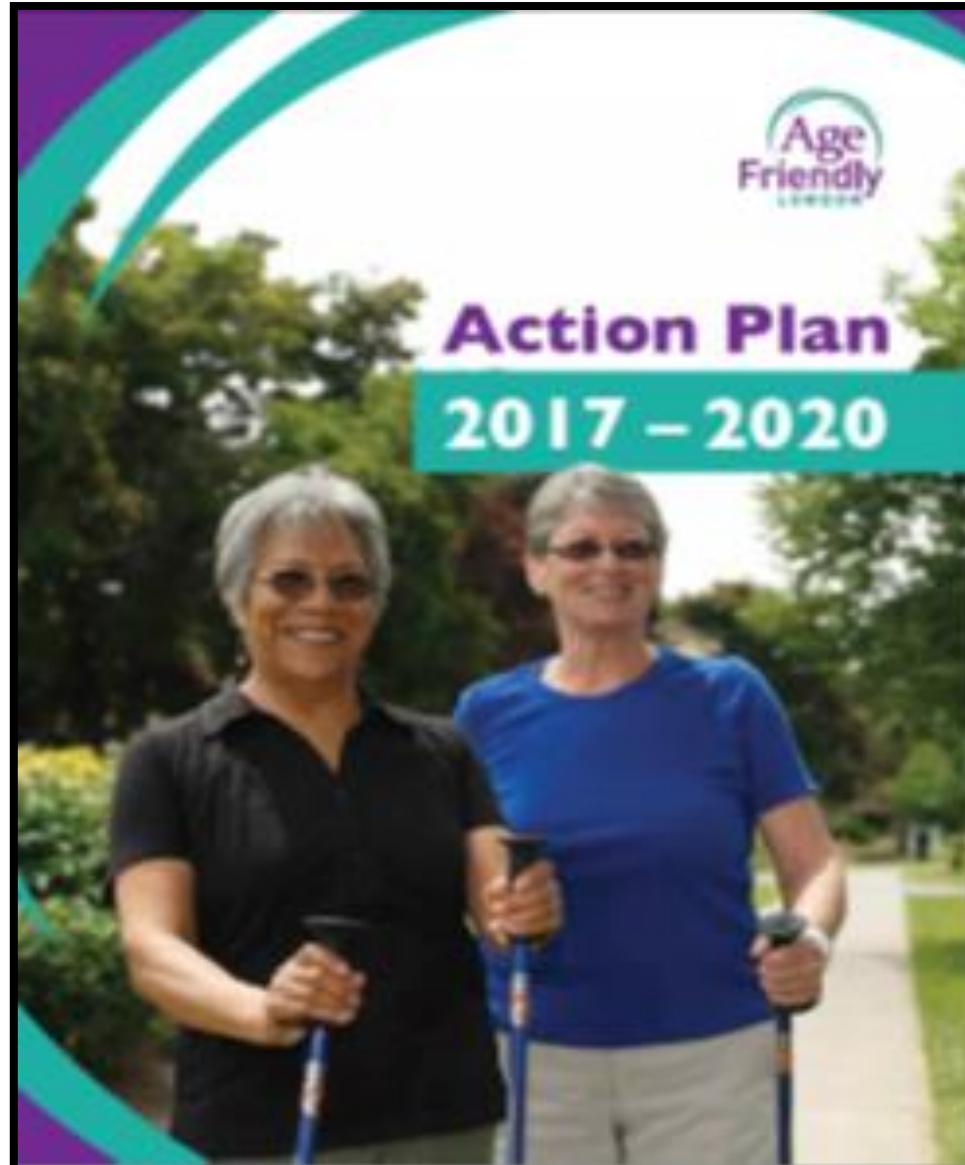
City of London Strategic Plan

STRENGTHENING our Community

Londoners have access to the supports they need to be successful.

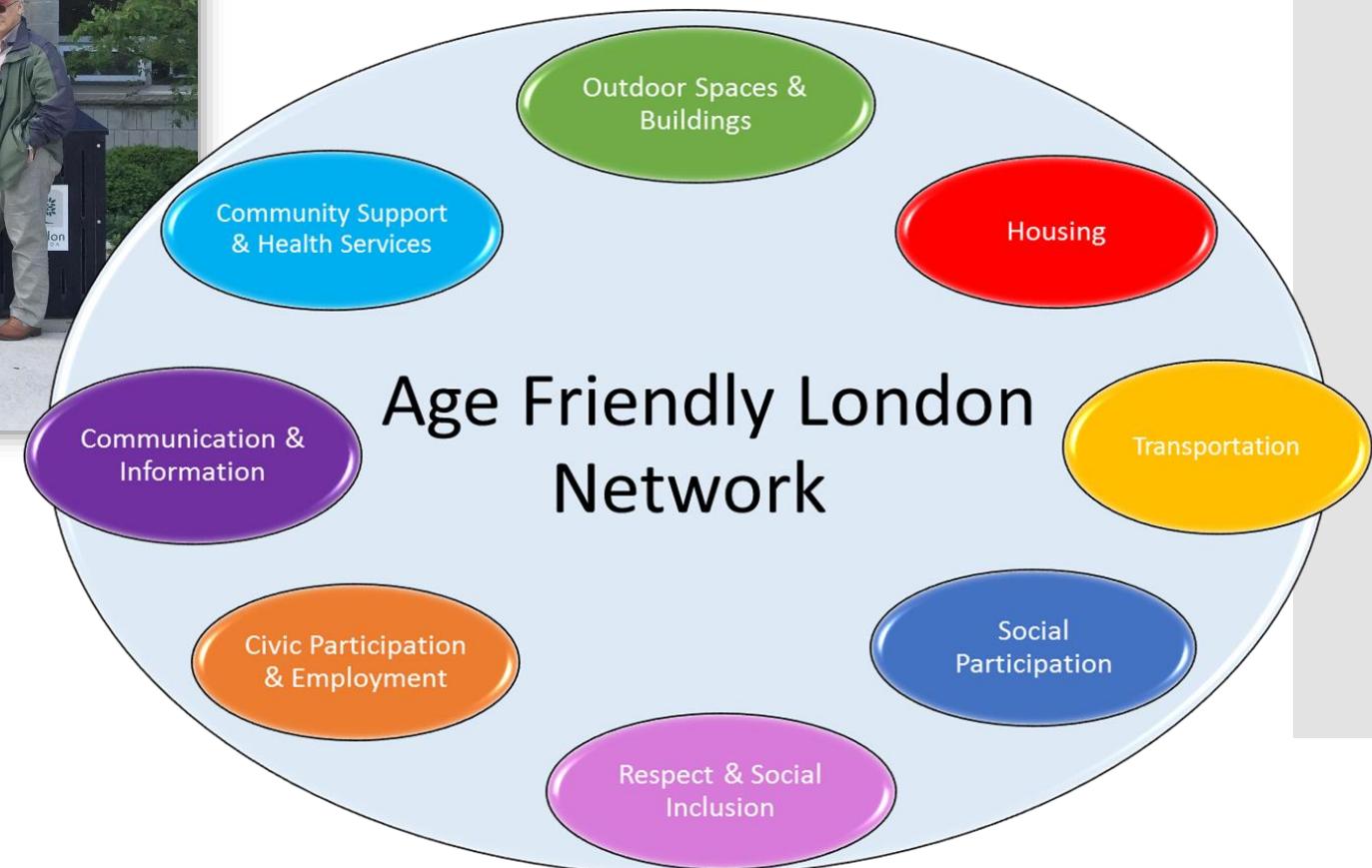
EXPECTED RESULT	STRATEGY
Increase affordable and quality housing options.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Establish and revitalize community housing through a Regeneration Plan.Increase supportive and specialized housing options for households experiencing chronic homelessness.Strengthen the support for individuals and families in need of affordable housing.Utilize innovative regulations and investment to facilitate affordable housing development.
Reduce the number of individuals and families experiencing chronic homelessness or at risk of becoming homeless.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Create more purpose-built, sustainable, affordable housing stock in London.Implement coordinated access to mental health and addictions services and supports.Improve emergency shelter diversion and rapid re-housing practices.
Support improved access to mental health and addictions services.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Strengthen and support the mental health and addictions system.
Decrease the number of London residents experiencing poverty.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Continue to support and develop collaborative approaches to end poverty.
Increase opportunities for individuals and families.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Enhance public trust and confidence by ensuring appropriate response to victims, the vulnerable, and racialized persons and groups.Fund and partner with the London Public Library to increase opportunities for people to access the services they need.Improve access to licensed child care and early years opportunities.Work collectively with community partners to improve outcomes and integrated responses for children, youth, families, and older adults.Increase programming and activities for residents and families at Dearness Home.
Improve the health and well-being of Londoners.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Continue to provide access to planned and managed pathway systems and nature trails within parks and open spaces.Create programs and exhibitions to foster health and well-being.Deliver health protection and promotion programs guided by population health surveillance.

Our Action Plan



www.london.ca/agefriendly

Age Friendly London Network



Outdoor Spaces & Buildings

Strategy 1: Influence neighbourhood design to support aging in place.

Strategy 2: Increase the age friendliness of parks, pathways, and trails.

Strategy 3: Promote existing age friendly programs and amenities.



Outdoor Spaces & Buildings

What Are We Working On?

- A guide to Age Friendly Neighbourhood Design to support aging in place.
- Participating in neighbourhood safety audits to identify issues for all ages.
- Promoting public awareness of winter walking safety and how to report issues with snow removal.

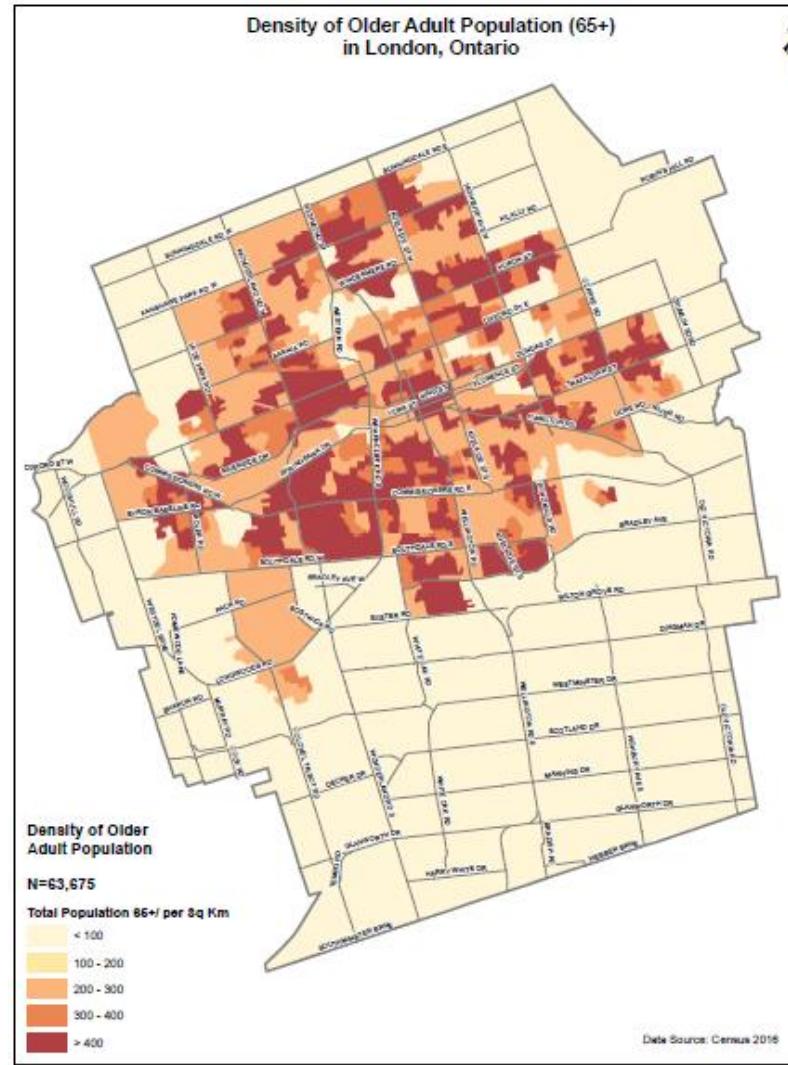


Age Friendly Parks Checklist

- Adapted from checklist developed by Age Friendly Philadelphia
- Developed in partnership with students from Western University
- Covers pathways, seating, washrooms, amenities, signage, safety, etc.
- Over 400 parks assessed since 2013

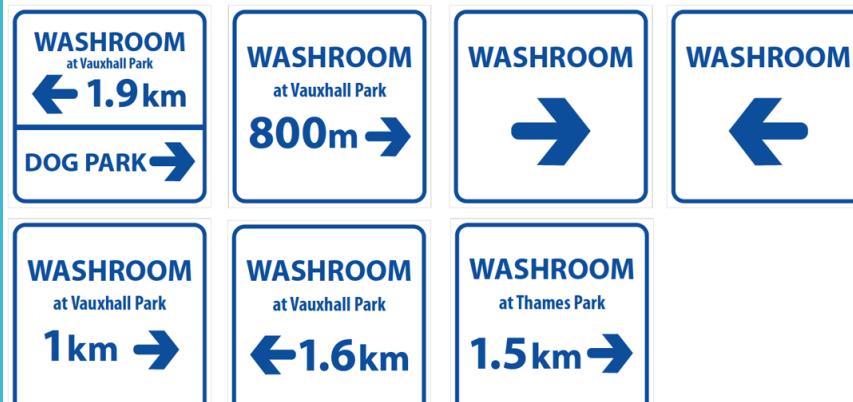
 Age Friendly Parks Checklist <small>[Adapted from The Philadelphia Age Friendly Parks Checklist (Philadelphia Corporation for Aging, 2011)]</small>		
Name of park: _____ Date of survey: _____ Surveyed by: _____		
Walkable / Accessible Pathways	<input type="checkbox"/> Depressed curbs allow easy access onto the pathway & to the park amenities <input type="checkbox"/> Surface is firm and stable <input type="checkbox"/> Minimum clear width of 1 meter <input type="checkbox"/> Clearance of 2.1 meters above path <input type="checkbox"/> Slope is gentle <input type="checkbox"/> No stairs to access park <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Stairs are slip resistant ○ Railings at stairs 	
Seating	<input type="checkbox"/> Benches - # _____ <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ with back and armrest <input type="checkbox"/> Other seating (stones, seating wall, picnic table etc.) <input type="checkbox"/> Seating next to amenities <input type="checkbox"/> Seating along pathways	
Washrooms	<input type="checkbox"/> Washroom <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Fully accessible ○ Open year-round 	
Amenities/Opportunities for Participation	<input type="checkbox"/> Pathways <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Walking loop ○ Distance markers on pathways <input type="checkbox"/> Community Garden <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Raised beds <input type="checkbox"/> Picnic tables <input type="checkbox"/> Exercise equipment <input type="checkbox"/> Regular programming <input type="checkbox"/> Community events held in park	

Age Friendly Parks Checklist





- ✓ Installed age friendly benches that have higher seats and arms
- ✓ Clear way-finding signage
- ✓ Mileage markers and walking loops in parks



Neighbourhood Decision Making

Neighbourhood Decision Making
getinvolved.london.ca/NDM

Submit your ideas
Aug. 19 – Sept. 24 2019

Vote for your favourite project
November 9 2019

Fund & implement

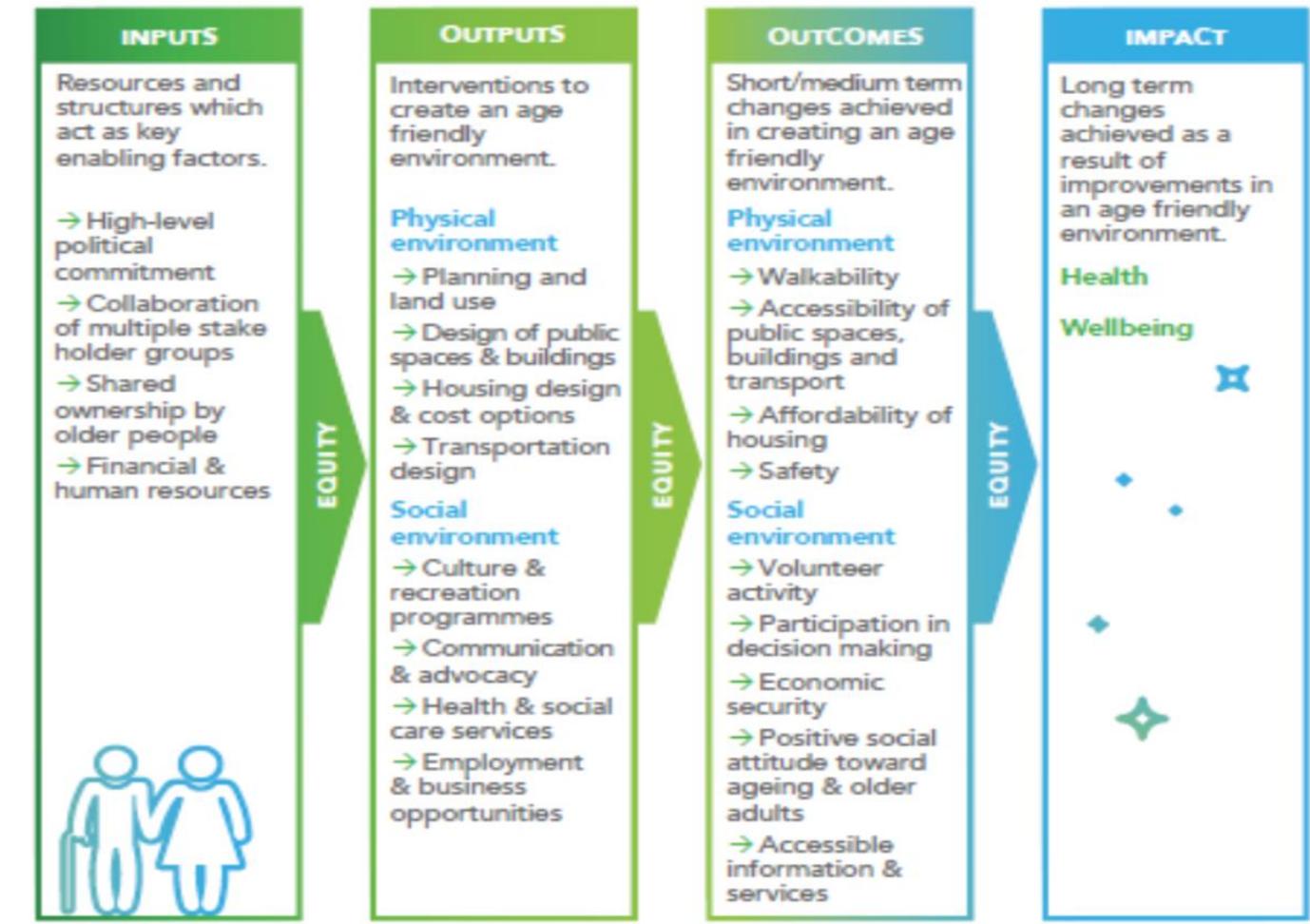
- Residents submit ideas to improve their neighbourhoods
- City staff review ideas for feasibility
- All feasible ideas put on ballot for vote
- The community votes and successful projects are implemented
- For more information: getinvolved.london.ca/NDM

Neighbourhood Approach to Age Friendly Improvements

- AFL Action: "*Promote the City of London Neighbourhood Decision Making resident-led program, and encourage the development of age friendly projects and events ideas.*"
- Outdoor Spaces & Buildings Group submitted ideas to improve age-friendliness of parks
- NDM submissions unsuccessful, however, with help of City staff, 20 new benches being installed within parks system, based on Working Group's recommendations.
- Participation in Neighbourhood Safety Audits

Implementation & Evaluation

FIGURE 1. A FRAMEWORK FOR SELECTING AN AGE-FRIENDLY CITY INDICATOR SET



Indicators Used in the Assessment

Age Friendly Domains	WHO Core Indicators
Outdoor Spaces and Buildings	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Neighbourhood Walkability • Accessibility of Public Spaces and Buildings
Transportation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Accessibility of Public Transportation Vehicles • Accessibility of Public Transportation Stops
Housing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Affordability of Housing • Accessibility of Housing
Social Participation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Engagement in Socio-Cultural Activity • Participation in Leisure Time Physical Activity in a Group • Engagement in Lifelong Learning
Respect and Social Inclusion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Positive Social Attitude toward Older People
Civic Participation and Employment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Engagement in Volunteer Activity • Paid Employment • Participation in Local Decision-Making
Communication and Information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Availability of Information • Internet Access
Community Support and Health Services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Availability of Social and Health Services • Economic Security
	<p>+ supplementary indicators and London specific questions</p>

AFL Impact Assessment



Summary

- Leverage existing programs & resources
- Engage internal champions to incorporate age friendly lens into day-to-day work
- Partner with local colleges/universities
- Align accessibility efforts with other initiatives e.g. age friendly, strengthening neighbourhoods, diversity & inclusion
- Commit to ongoing measurement and tracking progress

Thank You!

- www.London.ca/AgeFriendly
- 519-661-CITY (2489), x 7208
- AgeFriendlyLondon@London.ca

BMAAC Capital Project Expenditures

As of: July 23, 2019

(Unaudited)

REVENUES:

	Year Cmpltd	2017	2018	2019	2020
Contribution from Capital		4,750.00	5,075.00		
Interest					
Carry forward from Previous Year		89,952.83	64,702.83	69,777.83	40,277.83
Total Funds Available		94,702.83	69,777.83	69,777.83	40,277.83

EXPENDITURES:

Eastern Engineering - Doors at BAC	2004
Healey's Glass - Doors at BAC	2005
Eastern Engineering - Doors at BAC	2005
Cadieux Contracting - Barrier Free Washroom BAC	2005
Eastern Engineering - Barrier Free Washroom BAC	2005
Sherwood & Son's Construction Co Limited - Remove Bus stop platform & pour new sidewalk	2005
Eastern Engineering - Doors at BAC	2006
Cadieux Contracting - Doors for Washroom at St. Lawrence Park	2006
Cadieux Contracting - Doors for Washroom at Hardy Park	2006
Recorder & Times - 1 Civic News ad & 2 ads for Accessible Doors	2006
Wiltse's inv. 2856 - Memorial Centre Doors	2007
JJ Jenson - Memorial Centre - sinks	2007
Sir Isaac Brock Court Yard - Barrier Free Walkways	2007
Trophies Plus - Signs Memorial Centre	2007
Linden Audio Council Chambers - audio system	2007
BAC - lift - committed funding	2009
Memorial Centre stage (Community Hall)	
Accessible Playground Structure - ALLOCATION (2009)	2009
AODA Standard compliance	
What If - flag design	2009
Eastern Engineering - Harbour	2009
Eastern Engineering - Arena's/Parks/Ball fields	2010
Henderson Recreation equipment - Benches	2010
Chevron Construction (work described below)	
Memorial Centre - concrete ramps	
James Auld - south door opener & north door concrete pad and opener	
Hardy Park - Concrete pads & asphalt walkways	
Hardy Park Gazebo and Ramp	2011
Memorial Centre doors	2011
Rotary Park	2011
Memorial Centre Community Hall - audio visual equipment	2014
Brockville Gymnastics Club - new door and sidelight	2012
Office renovations - Clerk's Dept	2013
BPL - light motion sensors and accessible doors	2013
BMAAC expenses in Operating	2015
Brockville Gymnastics Club - new accessible door	2016
Brock Trail (Perth to William)	2017
ESTIMATE - Memorial Field House project (proposed estimate)	30,000.00
Blockhouse Island Accessibility Renovations	2019
Additional power doors at James Ault Building	2019
	27,500.00
	2,000.00
	50,000.00

*Total Expenditures **30,000.00** - **29,500.00** **50,000.00**

Unexpended funds to be carried forward to next year **64,702.83** **69,777.83** **40,277.83** **(9,722.17)**

Cumulative Expenditures 402,335.17
* Expenditures are net of GST/HST