



## **ACCESS DUFFERIN COMMITTEE MINUTES**

**Monday, April 9, 2018 at 1:00 p.m.**

**55 Zina Street, Orangeville – Sutton Room**

The Committee met at 1:00 p.m. in the Sutton Room, 55 Zina Street, Orangeville

Members Present: Kat Anderson  
Walter Benotto  
Karla Foote  
Mike Gravelle (by teleconference)  
Trevor Lewis

Members Absent: Peggy Bond, Chair (prior notice)  
Anthony Kilmartin

Staff Present: Steve Murphy, Accessibility Coordinator (Acting Chair)  
Michelle Hargrave, Administrative Support Specialist  
Lianna Mayer-Harman, Emergency Management Assistant

In the absence of the Chair, Steve Murphy called the meeting to order at 1:04 p.m. He noted the continuing education session for the meeting would be on the Dufferin Alerts System. The session listed on the agenda, Exercise in Dufferin, will be presented at the May 14, 2018 meeting.

Declarations of Pecuniary Interest by Members – None

1. ACCESS DUFFERIN – April 9, 2018 – ITEM #1  
Review of Minutes – March 19, 2018 Meeting

The Committee reviewed the meeting minutes from the March 19, 2018 meeting.

**Moved by Trevor Lewis, Seconded by Kat Anderson**

**THAT the minutes from the March 19, 2018 meeting be received for information.**

**-Carried-**

2. ACCESS DUFFERIN – April 9, 2018 – ITEM #2  
Accessibility Audits for County Owned Buildings

The Committee reviewed the list of all County owned buildings and chose the locations that would be audited. These locations include:

- 90 Main Street North, Grand Valley (EarlyON Centre)
- 65 McCarthy Street, Orangeville (Jean Hamlyn Day Care)
- 51/55 Zina Street, Orangeville (County of Dufferin Office & Court)
- 167 Centre Street, Shelburne
- 301 First Ave E, Shelburne (Dynes-Gray Apartments)
- 250 Simon Street, Shelburne

The Committee also reviewed the draft Accessibility Audit Checklist that will be used during the audits. The following changes and additions were suggested:

- Any items/features with measurement requirements should include the specific allowable measurements
- Colour and contrast of the paint on walls should be checked for those who are sight impaired
- Any changes in slope or grade in the parking lot should be checked
- Exterior and interior automatic door openers should be checked to ensure they are correctly placed
- The specific height, depth and width of the knee space at washroom sinks should be measured, in addition to ensuring that there is clear space for wheelchairs to go under the sink
- Check for functioning change tables in washrooms

3. ACCESS DUFFERIN – March 19, 2018 – ITEM #3  
Continuing Education Session – Dufferin Alert System

The continuing education session on Exercise in Dufferin was postponed due to the Chair's absence and will be presented at the May 14, 2018 meeting.

Steve Murphy presented information on the newly launched Dufferin Alerts System. The Dufferin Alerts System is a subscription based service provided by the County of Dufferin. Users subscribe by entering the address they would like alerts for and indicating how they would like to receive alerts, either text message, email or telephone call. Users can enter multiple addresses as the alerts are based on a set geographic location.

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

Kat Anderson provided follow up to last month's continuing education session on Service Animals. She advised the Upper Grand District School Board is currently considering a change to their Service Animal policy which would only allow service dogs if the handlers are the students themselves. She noted many children who have a service dog are unable to give commands themselves so they would be unable to have their service dogs at school. She will voice her concern regarding this change in policy the local school board trustees.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 2:08 p.m.

## **NEXT MEETING**

May 14, 2018 at 1:00 p.m.  
55 Zina Street, Orangeville – Sutton Room

Respectfully submitted,

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Steve Murphy, Acting Chair  
Access Dufferin