

## COUNCIL COMMITTEE – PRESENTATION MEETING

The Council Committee/Presentations Meeting of the Municipality of the County of Colchester was conducted virtually via Zoom Webinars and in person, on Tuesday, March 7, 2023.

In peace and friendship, and in the spirit of truth and reconciliation, Councillor Cooper acknowledged that the Municipality of Colchester is in Mi'kma'ki, the ancestral and unceded territory of the Mi'kmaq.

### Roll Call

The roll was called with the following Councillors in attendance:

Mayor Christine Blair	
Councillor Laurie Sandeson	District 2
Councillor Mike Cooper, Chair	District 4
Councillor Tim Johnson	District 5
Councillor Karen MacKenzie	District 6
Councillor Michael Gregory	District 7 (virtual)
Councillor Lisa Patton	District 8
Councillor Marie Benoit	District 9
Councillor Victoria Lomond	District 10
Councillor Wade Parker	District 11

### Regrets

Councillor Eric Boutilier	District 1
Deputy Mayor Geoff Stewart	District 3

### Others Present

Paul Smith, Acting CAO  
 Suzanne Graham, Recording Secretary  
 Mollie MacBurnie-Haas, Desktop Support Tech (for Technical Support)

### Presentations

#### **Mentoring Plus Strategy Terri Mingo**

Ms. Mingo appeared before Council to provide an update on the Mentoring Plus Strategy program.

Included in the presentation was information on the three program sites within the province and what they have accomplished in the past four years of operations. The aim of the program is to connect seniors with youth in their area for mentorship and knowledge sharing. The three phases of the program are knowledge exchanges; collective impact plan; and sustainability. A list of community partners was also provided which includes the Truro Colchester Partnership for Economic Prosperity, the Welcome Network, CBDC-NOBL and all three local high schools.

Discussion was held on what a great program this is; what kind of programs could be started in the more rural areas; and other opportunities for the program to get out in the community.

Moved by Councillor Benoit  
 Seconded by Councillor Patton

“That the presentation be received”.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

**Upland Planning and Design, County Wide Planning Community Engagement Update**

**Presenter – Ryan MacLean**

Ms. MacLean appeared before Council to explain how Plan It Colchester will help create a county wide Municipal Planning Strategy and Land Use By-law.

Included in the presentation was:

- An overview of what Plan It Colchester entails
- Project objectives which include integrating community participation; sharing information; gathering input and fostering trust
- An engagement timeline and plan which includes a public survey, open houses and pop up events
- Project outputs

Discussion was held on giving resident concrete examples of what planning strategies have looked like in other areas; how to decide how much commercial area to include in the residential areas; mailing out surveys and information regarding the open houses to all County residents; what level of participation Upland is expecting from the survey; where to hold the open houses and how many should be held.

Moved by

Seconded by

“That the presentation be received”.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

**Adjournment**

Moved by Councillor Sandeson

Seconded by Councillor MacKenzie

“That the meeting adjourn at 7:4 pm”.

Suzanne Graham  
Recording Secretary