

GREATER ARNPRIOR SENIORS COUNCIL - AGENDA
Wednesday, January 18, 2023 – 10:00AM
Galilee Centre

1. **Call to Order** 10:04am

2. **Roll Call:**

<p>Citizen Members: Karen Robertson Mickie Mackie Darrel O'Shaughnessy Sandra Elliot Paul Helm</p> <p>Citizen Members absent: Pam LeMay Ralph Chown Eleanor Hotchkiss</p>	<p>Stakeholders: Robin Paquette, Arnprior, Co-Chair Leah Levesque, ARH, Co-Chair Megan Postin, Galilee Centre Dennis Harrington, Arnprior-Braeside-McNab Seniors At Home Graeme Ivory, Arnprior Recreation Glenn Arthur, Senior Games Carmen Goold, Ministry Rep. Judy Cobus, ARH Christine Waite, ARH (Recorder) Rachel Robertson, ADHS Student rep. Jim Anas, ADHS Teacher rep.</p>
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3. **Adoption of Agenda (Additions/Deletions)**

Motion to Adopt agenda made by Darrel O'Shaughnessy, second by Dennis Harrington.
 All in Favor.

4. **Chair of Greater Arnprior Seniors Council**

Citizen Committee Volunteer is needed for the Chair position.

The position could also be an interim opportunity, until a permanent volunteer comes forward.

No members indicated interest at this time.

Robin Paquette and Leah Levesque temporarily hold the position of co-chairs.

Tactics to Support Recruitment:

1. Submit article into the SALC Newsletter
2. Attend the SALC Fair February 17th
3. Create 1 page brochure; include purpose, time commitments, membership needs, etc.
4. Place newspaper advertisement
5. Partners to share brochure across social media platforms

5. **Age Friendly Workplan (10-year plan 2016 -2026)**

Purpose of GASC is to action Age Friendly Community Plan (AFCP) Action items.

Original AFCP was developed as a 10-year plan (2016-2026), initiated in 2016. The GASC created a work plan for each year as well as action items and outlines who the stakeholders are leading those initiatives.

Committee needs to update the workplan for 2023 and identify any new priorities and stakeholders.

Examples discussed included: Affordable Housing, Transportation, Food Security, Intergenerational Programming, promotion of an Age Friendly Community.

Members asked to review priorities and provide input into go forward plan.

Committee Discussion

How to engage and promote Age Friendly initiatives?

How to engage at a County Wide Level?

How to include other Communities?

How to create more connections?

1. Suggestion to connect with Neil Nicholson, Mayor Whitewater who is advocating senior's initiatives.
2. Connect the 8 SALC's in the region potential to represent 100,000 seniors.
3. Support additional Men's Shed presentations with other regions as requested.
4. Promotion of Age Friendly Website:
 - Include link from community partner websites
 - Use of the Logo for Certified Age Friendly Community

6. Actions

1. Follow up on the status of the Seniors Affordable Housing survey, Topics included Housing plan as presented to the County Council. Robin to follow up with Craig Kelly, County CAO.

Link to all County Committees, indicating their responsibilities and members can be found here: <https://www.countyofrenfrew.on.ca/en/county-government/committees.aspx>

7. Other Business

Jim Anas, High School Teacher at Arnprior District High School, joined the group to help involve youth in programs and to focus on intergenerational programming.

Suggestion to contact Karen Deluca at the Library, to support the Tech Savvy initiative (technology use & education for seniors). Students would be ideal candidates for teaching and would support intergenerational activities. Education session can also be offer to the students as it pertains to Age Friendly initiatives.

8. Next Meeting

February 15 10:00am in the Oak room of the Galilee Centre

9. Adjournment 10:59am