



City of
Peterborough

To: **Members of the Accessibility Advisory Committee**

From: **Trish Reed, Accessibility and Communication Specialist**

Meeting Date: **June 7, 2017**

Subject: **Report AAC17-045
2017 to 2025 Accessibility Plan**

Purpose

A report to introduce a presentation by the Accessibility Compliance Coordinator on the 2017 to 2025 Accessibility Plan.

Recommendation

That the Accessibility Advisory Committee (AAC) approve the recommendation outlined in Report AAC17-045 dated June 7, 2017, of the Accessibility and Communication Specialist as follows:

That the presentation by the Accessibility Compliance Coordinator on the 2017 to 2025 Accessibility Plan be received for information.

Budget and Financial Implications

There are no budgetary or financial implications associated with the recommendation.

Background

Section 4.1 of the Integrated Accessibility Standards requires public sector organizations and large organizations to:

- a) establish, implement, maintain and document a multi-year accessibility plan, which outlines the organization's strategy to prevent and remove barriers and meet its requirements under this Regulation;
- b) post the accessibility plan on their website, if any, and provide the plan in an accessible format upon request; and
- c) review and update the accessibility plan at least once every five years.

The Accessibility Office is beginning to compile information to create a 2017 to 2025 Accessibility Plan (Plan).

As part of the process, a public engagement work plan is being developed. The purpose of engaging with the public is to collect feedback that will help set priorities and clear goals for the Plan.

Public engagement will provide a better understanding of the experiences of residents and visitors with disabilities who use goods, services and facilities provided by the City. It will focus on a strategy to identify, prevent and remove barriers to people with disabilities.

Public engagement will also help bring awareness to accessibility in the City and help to highlight the importance of creating an inclusive community.

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