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Town of Cobourg Strategic Plan Components (2019-2022)

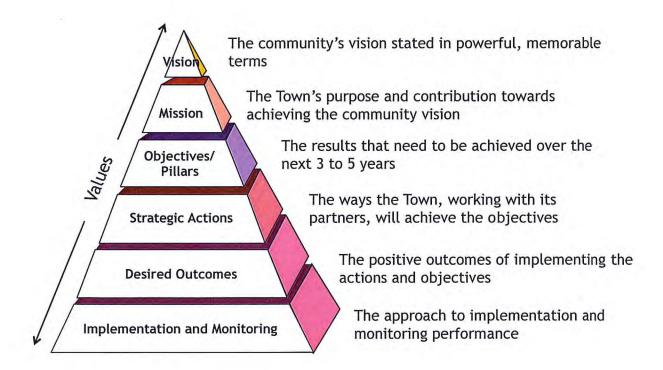
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TOWN OF COBOURG STRATEGIC PLAN: 2019-2022

The Town of Cobourg's Strategic Plan is comprised of number of elements as shown following.

Strategic Plan Components



Vision, Mission and Pillars/Supporting Objectives

Town of Cobourg Strategic Planning Session: February 12-13, 2019 Draft Vision, Mission and Supporting Pillars/Objectives

Vision

Cobourg...a vibrant inclusive community where everyone has access to meaningful opportunities and experiences

Mission

The Town of Cobourg is committed to open and accountable governance and the provision of quality, accessible programs and services in a sustainable manner

Pillars/Objectives

The Town's mission will be achieved through the following ...

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People The Town supports and cares for the social and physical well-

being of its citizens

Places The Town protects, preserves and promotes its natural

assets, heritage, arts, culture and tourism

Programs The Town provides efficient and effective corporate,

community, business and recreational services for its

residents, businesses and visitors

Partnerships The Town engages in strong, sustainable public-private

partnerships to improve the quality of life for everyone

Prosperity The Town plans for, markets and develops assets for

economic growth and financial security

PROSPINITY

Strategic Actions and Desired Outcomes

PEOPLE

The Town supports and cares for the social and physical well-being of its citizens

Strategic Actions

- Create a housing strategy that is in alignment with Northumberland County's housing strategy
- 2. Implement a municipal youth program
- 3. Encourage healthy lifestyles across all age groups
- 4. Continue to pursue the Age-Friendly Communities designation

Desired Outcomes

- People are able to find attainable housing in Cobourg
- There is a broad variety of housing types available for ownership and rental
- Residents of all ages are engaged in a wide range of physical activities
- Cobourg residents are healthy and happy
- Cobourg's youth participate in community activities and events
- The Town is enriched by the skills, ideas and perspectives of its youth

PLACES

The Town protects, preserves and promotes its natural assets, heritage, arts, culture and tourism

Strategic Actions

- 1. Investigate the creation of additional heritage conservation districts as outlined in the heritage master plan
- 2. Create a climate change action plan
- 3. Review the expansion of boat slips into the west harbour recommendation contained in the waterfront master plan
- 4. Upon completion of the cultural master plan, consider the creation of a Town arts, culture and tourism division
- 5. Continue implementation of the downtown vitalization plan
- 6. Review and improve the financial performance of Town operated facilities

Desired Outcomes

- Arts, culture and heritage are key defining characteristics of the Cobourg community
- Daily lives of residents are enriched
- Cobourg's natural environment will be safeguarded and protected
- The Town of Cobourg will be good stewards and practice sustainable actions

PROGRAMS

The Town provides efficient and effective corporate, community, business and recreational services for its residents, businesses and visitors

Strategic Actions

- 1. Develop an information technology strategic plan
- 2. Develop an integrated records management system
- 3. Implement a comprehensive management plan for all of the Town's assets
- 4. Explore the feasibility of enhanced sidewalk snow clearing
- 5. Review and assess appropriateness of agreements with third party contracts
- 6. Continue to explore communications priorities including social media and public engagement tools

Desired Outcomes

- People will be well informed, know what is going on in the Town and how to get information
- The Town will be resilient and safe from cyber attacks
- Information will be easier and faster to access through a variety of means
- People will be informed with the facts
- Information will be stored in a way that is accessible for present and future generations

PARTNERSHIPS

The Town engages in strong, sustainable public private partnerships to improve the quality of life for everyone

Strategic Actions

- 1. Explore feasibility of partnerships to develop a social services community hub for community health priorities such as food security, mental health, drug addiction and homelessness
- 2. Explore future partnerships with Venture 13 to promote innovation, education and entrepreneurial opportunities
- 3. Continue to work with Sustainable Cobourg and other stakeholders on greening Cobourg initiatives
- 4. Work with transit authorities in the area to integrate transit services

Desired Outcomes

- Partnerships will be a key component of how the Town works and does business
- Cobourg will be a strong community
- Resources will be maximized
- The Town will be able to realize initiatives it undertakes

PROSPERITY

The Town plans for, markets and develops assets for economic growth and financial security

Strategic Actions

- 1. Develop a policy for establishing shovel-ready development lands
- 2. Coordinate funding opportunities to optimize community development capital and special projects funding
- 3. Review the feasibility of expanding the Northam Industrial Park
- 4. Explore innovative solutions to improve the connectivity between the beach/waterfront and downtown Cobourg
- 5. Develop resources to support small businesses coming to Cobourg
- 6. Review the mandate of the Town's economic development department

Desired Outcomes

- More jobs are locating in Cobourg
- Economic health has created capacity for improved quality of life
- Economic development resources are effectively used
- Visitors find opportunities to spend money in Cobourg
- Cobourg is recognized for its strong and healthy downtown
- Labour force skills in the Town match employment needs