



**MINUTES OF THE
ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE**

Minutes of the Active Transportation Committee meeting held on Tuesday January 27, 2026 in the Esquensing Room, 1 Halton Hills Drive and via Zoom.

Members Present: Councillor J. Fogal, Chair, Councillor A. Hilson (EP), A. Sommer, (EP – Electronic Participation) N. Barros, B. Mandarino, C. Patten (EP), G. Price-Jones J. Dougherty (EP), R. Hendry

Regrets: C. Lenz

Staff Present: I. Drewnitski, Transportation Planning Coordinator (E), M. (E – Electronically Present) Khashaypoor, Transportation Planning Technologist (E), M. Taylor, Senior Landscape Architect (E), M. Covert, Director of Public Works (Item No. 4.a) (E), B. Andrews, Commissioner of Transportation & Public Works (Item No. 4.a) (E), M. Lawr, Deputy Clerk - Legislation

1. CALL TO ORDER

Councillor J. Fogal, Chair called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

2. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY/CONFLICT OF INTEREST

There were no disclosures of pecuniary or conflict of interest.

3. RECEIPT OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Recommendation No. AT-2026-001

THAT the Minutes of the Active Transportation Committee Meeting held on October 2, 2025 be received.

CARRIED

4. SCHEDULED ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

a. Winter Sidewalk Clearing

M. Covert reviewed the Town’s levels of service and processes for snow clearing and removal with the Committee. M. Covert advised that sidewalk routes are followed during the snow removal process.

Councillor J. Fogal thanked Public Works staff for their work so far this busy winter season.

J. Dougherty asked if the Mobility Master Plan would include any maintenance recommendation to reinforce encouraging active transportation throughout the winter. I. Drewnitski advised that they would be connected and the Town would review the recommendations from the Mobility Master Plan while also considering staffing levels and other resources.

b. Cycling Issues at Halton Hills Drive/Maple Ave

M. Khashaypoor reviewed the area of Halton Hills Drive and Maple Avenue where the current bike lane terminates and advised that through the 2026 Pavement Management Plan there is opportunity to improve the road infrastructure for cyclists.

M. Khashaypoor advised that recommendations could include:

- Starting a dash line for the transition of bike lane and roadway accompanied with a share the road sign
- Incorporating a double lined pavement marking design between the parking space and the cyclists. This is meant to minimize the dooring risks to cyclists. This is subject to further review internally as part of the design
- Longer and thicker lines for smoother transitions on the existing multi use path

c. Cycling Network Improvements (Fifth Line)

M. Khashaypoor reviewed the current conventional bike lanes and the multi use path but noted that there is a missing link between Fifth Line and highway 401. M. Khashaypoor advised that one proposed improvement for the cycling infrastructure and safety in the area is bike lanes and markers/signage on Fifth Line. The Committee discussed the curbing in the area and whether there is space for cyclists and cars to share the road.

G. Prince-Jones suggested sharrows being painted on the road as an additional cue. Staff to take suggestion back for review.

d. 2022-2026 Advisory Committee Membership Term

M. Lawr advised the Committee that this is the final year of the current membership term with the final meeting being held on September 29, 2026.

5. WORKING GROUPS

a. Bike It

Councillor Fogal presented Bike It's 2026 Work Plan which includes:

- Bike Bus Project – This event will be run the last two weeks of May/first two weeks of June for four Fridays in a row with Ethel Gardiner Public School. This event will include morning rides with Bike It volunteers and educational aspects for students related to cycling safety. Planning for this event will include a meeting with Town staff (I. Drewnitski).
- Ghost Ride – This event will occur in May in honour of a Halton Hills resident who was killed on the road while cycling. Guelph Cycling Club will be providing information on how to run this event and the family of the Halton Hills resident is supportive.
- Used Bike Swap – This event will occur in April during the Public Works Earth Day event at the Robert C. Austin Operations Centre.
- Birds and Bikes Group Rides – This event will occur in May with two route options, a shorter route for families and a longer route for more experienced cyclists.
- Bike it to the Market – This event will occur in June at the Georgetown Farmer's Market.
- Halloween Costume Bike Parade – This event will occur in October with planned routes.
- Santa Claus Parade – Bike It members may participate in the Santa Claus Parade in November.

The 2026 Work Plan was approved by the Committee.

Recommendation No. AT-2026-002

THAT the Active Transportation Advisory Committee endorse the 2026 Bike It work plan;

AND FURTHER THAT the Active Transportation Committee approve the budget ask of \$1000.00 from the Active Transportation budget for the events and promotional materials.

CARRIED

6. ITEMS TO BE SCHEDULED FOR NEXT MEETING

2026 Workplans (I. Drewnitski and M. Taylor)

7. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:42 p.m.