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Re: Bi-Annual meeting of regional Accessibility Advisory Committee Chairs

To the Chairs of Accessibility Advisory Committees,

The goal of Ontario to be fully accessible by 2025 is dependent on the efforts of local Accessibility Advisory Committees in towns throughout the province. Although the specifics of each committee's direction may differ, the subjects of concern are all too common.

With the 2025 deadline looming, it occurred to the Town of Collingwood's AAC that time might be better spent hearing what has worked elsewhere on similar issues, instead of each committee reinventing the wheel.

As our areas become more developed, with building and transportation changes, a consistency of accessibility needs to exist. Our success in achieving a fully accessible Ontario is dependent on the seamless provision of access to all areas of life wherever one is in the province.

What is being proposed is a meeting of the Chairs of the AACs to expand upon their goals, successes, concerns, and obstacles, in a forum where insights are shared.

For those interested in such an idea, please respond via Stefanie Hochrein (email below). A proposed date for a first meeting via ZOOM is Wednesday September 14 at 3pm.

Thank you,

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Chair, Town of Collingwood Accessibility Advisory Committee

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