

Environmental Advisory Committee Update

January 2017 – November 2017

The Environmental Advisory Committee (EAC) last presented to Council November 22, 2016 to report on their activities for 2016. The EAC met a total of two times from January 2017 to November 2017. The structure of the EAC shifted – rather than driven by member initiatives, the group provided input on timely policies and issues.

1. Municipal Development Plan

Administration from the Planning and Development Services department attended the January 9, 2017 meeting. Municipal Development Plan Topic Summaries were circulated to the group prior to the meeting. A presentation on the Municipal Development Plan update was given and members were invited to provide input. Members were invited to participate in the next steps of the Municipal Development Plan update through the survey and other public events.

2. Textile Waste

Administration was tasked by Council to work with the EAC with regards to improving textile reuse in Strathcona County. A Utilities representative attended the May 29, 2017 meeting. Background information was circulated to the group prior to the meeting. A presentation was given on the current status of textile recycling in Strathcona County and general information about waste management. The EAC was supportive of Utilities focusing on a textile program that would increase diversion from the landfill and generate greater support for the local goodwill community. The EAC was invited to attend and/or watch the September 5, 2017 Council meeting where Utilities presented their recommendations.