

# City of London - Application for Appointment to City of London Community Advisory Committees

## Application

Committee you are interested in serving on: **Animal Welfare Community Advisory Committee**

## Contact Information

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Province: **ON**

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## Experience and Qualifications

If you have experience on a London Advisory Committee, please provide dates and details. (max. 250 characters):

**Not applicable.**

What do you hope to contribute or learn as part of a Community Advisory Committee? (max. 250 characters):

**I hope to learn about effective ways that pet adoption agencies/humane societies that deal with neglect/abandonment cases can ensure that the animals being adopted are going into proper homes. I am particularly interested in improving public education for those interested in pet ownership and discussing ways that domestic animal breeders/selling industries can be held accountable for the excess of available animals and its impacts.**

How will you support the work of a Community Advisory Committee? (max. 250 characters):

**I am happy to assist in any way that I can or fill a need that is currently missing. I work at the London Environmental Network as the Director of Programs so I have a lot of experience with research, writing, drafting letters/proposals, and public speaking.**

We value the contributions of Londoners with diverse experiences and welcome applications from individuals who share our commitment. Please describe how your work, community or lived experience will enhance these efforts through Community Advisory Committee work. (max. 3000 characters):

**I currently live in Wortley Village with my rescue dog, Keigo. He is a Siberian Husky that I rescued from the Humane Society in Sarnia. Since Keigo needs a lot of exercise, I regularly take him to different parks, paths and off-leash dog parks throughout the city. We spend a minimum of 2 hours walking each day so I have a lot of experience being around other dog owners and areas where dogs are allowed. I have always been incredibly concerned and have cared for animals my entire life. I think there are a lot of ways that animal welfare can be improved and I am interested in learning more from others that share this concern.**

Please describe additional experience, training, or community involvement that will help you in your role as a Community Advisory Committee Member. (max. 250 characters):

**I have sat on committees for the John Howard Society of Sarnia-Lambton as well as the Environmental Advisory Committee for the City of Sarnia. While I was completing my undergraduate degree, I was the Environmental Commissioner at King's University College and I was awarded the King's Community Life Award in my graduating year. This award is given to one student a year for their**

**volunteerism/activism in the local community.**

**I have worked in both civil and criminal law firms, I have been a teaching assistant, and an environmental project assistant.**

**Through my current work, I spend a lot of time in the community at local events, meeting new people and networking with likeminded organizations.**

Attach resume or other document here, if needed:

Attach more files here, if needed:

## **Confirmations**

I declare the following: **I am at least 18 years old.; I am not a City employee or Council member.; I understand that the commitment may be up to 4 hours per month to attend meetings and prepare.; I understand that my application and any attachments will be included on a public agenda that is published on the City website.**

To help inform our outreach activities, please tell us how you heard about this opportunity:  
(optional): **Professional or community organization**

If you selected 'Other', please specify:

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