

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

Application

Committee you are interested in serving on: **Community Advisory Committee on Planning**

Contact Information

Name: **Crispin Colvin**

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Experience and Qualifications

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

Prior to the Covid lockdown, I was on the Agricultural Advisory Committee. I was on for two or three years. Approximately 2015-2018.

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

As an advocate for farmland preservation, I feel it is in the interest fo both the City of London as well as the agricultural community that surrounds the city, to have a voice on planning and growth. As someone who was a municipal councillor for 16 years as well as a Middlesex County Councillor and Warden, I feel that my contributions to the CACP would be helpful. Recognizing that growth will occur, we need to look at where and how to effectively manage growth with the least amount of arable land lost.

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

The experience and knowledge I would bring would be helpful in recognizing the value of land and the type of growth that is required by the city. Management of our resources is important, whether it be land or water. As a farmer, taking care of the land and our resources and managing them well and sustainably, are some of the support, and perspective, I would bring to the discussions

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):

My municipal political experience, having worked with Middlesex County as a Councillor, would help bridge the gap between urban and rural areas. I have lived, and farmed, in Middlesex since 1971. In most cases, there is little knowledge of rural Ontario. Many view the lands surrounding the City of London as attractive and serene. There are those who see the surrounding lands as future development. We need to have open dialogue on how to try and preserve the valuable class 1,2,3,and 4 lands in the province while allowing for the increase in population in our urban neighbourhoods. As a Director on the Ontario Federation of Agriculture, representing Middlesex and Lambton Counties, I have been actively involved in discussions with our MP's and MPP's on these, and other issues, impacting our region.

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 am a graduate of both UWO and Fanshawe College. I have been on our farm in Middlesex County since 1971. Prior to that, my family lived in London from 1967 until we moved to the Thorndale area.

I have been actively involved with the Ontario Federation of Agriculture since being elected as a Director to the Board seven years ago. Currently, I sit as Vice President. I think you would find my contributions to the committee both helpful and constructive.

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): **Other**

If you selected 'Other', please specify: **I had a meeting with a city councillor who felt that I could contribute to the committee.**

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