

Committee: **Town & Gown Committee**

Organization/Sector represented: **Near Campus Neighbourhood (Sherwood Forrest)**

Name: **Doug Bickford**

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**64 Doncaster Place
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Occupation: **Between successes...**

Work experience: **21 years of progressive clinical, research and leadership experience within a complex national organization.**

Education: **BScPT MSc MBA Graduate Certificates in Project Management, Alternative Dispute Resolution**

Skills: **Effective communicator at all levels of the organization Exceptional stakeholder development skills Skilled in alternative dispute resolution Big picture thinker Able to adapt to change rapidly Experienced in process improvement**

Interest reason: **As a resident within a near campus neighbourhood, decisions at the University can and do have great impacts on our neighbourhood. This committee allows the University to hear our voice and consider neighbourhood impacts, but also provides for the University a local voice in the neighbourhood to help communicate their concerns and decision processes.**

Contributions: **Enthusiastic, reasonable, big picture thinker Eager to help both parties (Town / Gown) benefit from their important relationship. Unique perspective as a resident in a near campus neighbourhood.**

Past contributions: **Member: St Albert Community Health Council (represented the community on this council with Alberta Health Services, providing input from the community on various health care issues, and helping to communicate health care issues to the relevant and specific to our community from Alberta Health Services) Member of the Executive of the Sherwood Forest Orchard Park Ratepayers (again facilitating relationships between the local community and various stakeholders including the City, developers, not for profits) Board Member: St Albert HELP Society I contributed to the establishment of policies and objectives, strategic planning, Executive Director evaluation and ensuring the wise use of resources.**

Interpersonal: **For two years I worked in a National Conflict Management program in which it was part of my job to teach these types of skills to adult learners. I have extensive formal training in communication, conflict management and facilitation. I have also worked as an Executive Director of a large medical facility in which exchanging information, personal and professional views was a daily requirement. I was also responsible for many years to develop external stakeholder relationships; only by doing this respectfully, and appreciating the differing views of all involved, can one be successful.**

Interview interest: **Yes**