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Board and Committee Recruitment FAQs

What is an advisory board or committee?

Newmarket's Town Council establishes Committees and Boards to make recommendations to Council regarding various matters.

The Town's Advisory Committees and Boards provide recommendations to Newmarket Town Council on important community issues. Committee and Board meetings are open to the public. Each committee's work is different, and outlined in the Committee's mandate found in their particular Terms of Reference document. You can find the Terms of Reference, along with minutes, agenda, and other materials on that particular Committee's web page.

Why join an advisory board or committee?

Resident engagement and participation plays an important role shaping our Town's policies and future direction. By serving on a Committee or Board you participate directly in a process that makes recommendations on important issues to Town Council and helps continue to make Newmarket *well* beyond the ordinary for you and your neighbours.

How frequently do Committees and Boards meet?

Meeting frequency varies by committee. Some committees meet more frequently than others. How often committees meet is partly determined through that particular Committee's Terms of Reference, and also by the amount of business that arises. At this time, Committees continue to meet in a hybrid manner. This means that members can join remotely via Zoom, or attend in-person.

How are successful applicants chosen?

The Selection Committee will review applications and all applicants will be contacted for next steps, if required.

When will I be notified?

It is expected that applicants will be notified of whether they have been selected to sit on a Committee in February/March. Everyone who applied is expected to be notified by end of March, regardless of whether they have been appointed to a Committee or not.

If I am successful, how long is my Term?

Advisory committee members' terms align with Council, so from 2022 to 2026 or until a successor is appointed in 2026.



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Is there compensation?

Some committees have compensation, some do not. For information on compensation please see that particular Committee's Terms of Reference.

I served two-terms in a row on the same committee. Can I reapply?

While all eligible residents are able to apply to join a committee, we would encourage interested residents who have served on a committee for the past two concurrent terms to consider applying for a different committee.