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RECRUITING CITIZEN MEMBERS FOR NEWLY FORMED JOINT ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

KINGS COUNTY, NS: On March 19, 2021, the Municipality and the seven Village Commissions in Kings County signed an intermunicipal service agreement to form the Joint Accessibility Advisory Committee.

The Committee's purpose will be to provide advice to Municipal Council and the Village Commissions on identifying, preventing and eliminating barriers to access faced by people living with disabilities in municipal programs, services, initiatives and facilities. The Committee will play a pivotal role in helping the Municipality and the Villages to become accessible communities that comply with Nova Scotia's *Accessibility Act* (2017).

The *Accessibility Act*, the Municipality together with the Villages in the Kings Region recognize accessibility as a human right, and have set a goal to make Nova Scotia and the Kings Region accessible to all before 2030 by preventing and removing barriers that restrict people from fully participating in society.

The Joint Accessibility Advisory Committee will consist of sixteen (16) members including:

- one (1) member of Municipal Council,
- one member from each of the seven (7) Village Commissions, and
- eight (8) members of the public who either live with disabilities, or who work or volunteer with organizations that work with people living with disabilities.

Members of the public are now being recruited to fill the eight (8) citizen vacancies on the Committee. For more information on the Committee and how to apply, please visit www.countyofkings.ca/accessibility_committee.

The deadline for submitting applications is 4:30 pm on Monday, April 19, 2021.

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