

TERMS OF REFERENCE

ACCESSIBILITY COMMITTEE

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 25, 2023 RESOLUTION #: 224/2023

PURPOSE: The committee is an advisory body established in accordance with the Accessible British Columbia Act.

Mandate

The Accessibility Committee is tasked with identifying barriers to individuals in or interacting with the Village and will advise Council on how to remove and prevent such barriers. The Accessibility Committee will provide input into the creation of an Accessibility Plan and future updates to the Accessibility Plan. The Accessibility Committee will consider the following principles in making its recommendations to Council: inclusion, adaptability, diversity, collaboration, self-determination, and universal design.

Reporting

The committee will report to Council as required.

Schedule

The committee will meet on an as-needed basis, at the call of the Chair. A schedule of meetings will be established at the inaugural meeting, and at the first meeting in each calendar year.

MEMBERSHIP: All appointments to voting positions must be made by resolution of Council.

Term

Appointments shall be for a 4 year term. Appointments may be rescinded at any time by Council and vacancies may be filled by Council resolution.

Composition

The majority of committee members shall have lived experience of disability, either as a disabled person or as an individual who supports a person with disabilities or is an employee or volunteer with an organization that supports persons with disabilities. The composition of the committee aims to reflect the diversity of the community and, to the extent possible, at least one member should be an indigenous person. All appointed members of the committee shall have voting rights.

- The Mayor of Kaslo or their designate
- 1 additional member of Council
- up to 8 members of the public

Staff may attend meetings at the discretion of the CAO, to provide procedural or subject matter advice, but will not have voting rights.

Quorum

Quorum shall be 4 voting members (one must be a member of Council) of the Committee.

RESOURCING:

The Corporate Officer or their designate will ensure that meeting notices are posted, agenda packages are distributed, minutes are recorded, and meeting materials are available for public inspection.

PROCEDURE:

Council may refer specific matters to the Committee at any time.

The provisions in the Council Procedures Bylaw regarding Committees will apply.