



THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PUSLINCH
JANUARY 12, 2026 YOUTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
IN-PERSON AT THE MUNICIPAL OFFICE, –
7404 WELLINGTON ROAD 34, PUSLINCH

AGENDA

DATE: January 12, 2026

MEETING: 6:00 P.M.

≠ Denotes resolution prepared

1. Call the Meeting to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Moment of Reflection
4. Confirmation of the Agenda ≠
5. Disclosure of Conflict of Interest
6. Consent Agenda ≠

6.1. December 1, 2025 Youth Advisory Committee Minutes

Recommendation:

That the Consent Agenda item listed for the January 12, 2026 Youth Advisory Committee meeting be received for information.

7. Reports and Workshop Items ≠

7.1. Ice Breaker Activity – Nimrit Basi

Recommendation:

That the Ice Breaker Activity be received for information.

7.2. Report – YOU-2026-001 – Committee Goals and Objectives and Working on our Projects

Recommendation:

That report YOU-206-001 entitled Committee Goals and Objectives and Working on our Projects be received; and,



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That the presentations by Suraj Jheeta and Danica Reed be received.

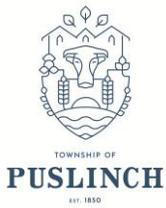
7.3. Regional Transit Survey – Future of Rural Transportation (Bruce, Dufferin, Grey, and Wellington Counties)

Recommendation:

That the Regional Transit Survey be received; and,

That Township staff forward Transit survey responses and comments from the Youth Advisory Committee to the County of Wellington Economic Development Department.

8. Correspondence
9. Announcements
10. Notice of Motion
11. New Business
12. Adjournment ≠



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MINUTES

DATE: December 1, 2025

MEETING: 6:00 P.M.

The December 1, 2025 Youth Advisory Committee was held on the above date and called to order at 6:02 p.m. via in person participation at the Municipal Office at 7404 Wellington Road 34.

1. CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

Attendance:

Councillor Sara Bailey - Chair

Katey Whaling

Jasmine Coburn

Kaiden Wineberg

Nimrit Basi

Aaron Dochstader

Xander Wineberg

Oliver Van Gerwen

Suraj Jheeta

Kenzo Szatori

Carter Devries

Absent:

Talia Wineberg

Danica Reed

Staff in Attendance:

Laura Emery, Manager of Corporate Services / Deputy Clerk

3. MOMENT OF REFLECTION

4. CONFIRMATION OF THE AGENDA

Resolution No. 2025-045:

Moved by Nimrit Basi and
Seconded by Suraj Jheeta



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That the Youth Advisory Committee approves the December 1, 2025 Agenda as circulated.

CARRIED

5. DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST:

None

6. CONSENT AGENDA

6.1 November 3, 2025 Youth Advisory Committee Minutes

Resolution No. 2025-046:

Moved by Katey Whaling and
 Seconded by Carter Devries

That the Consent Agenda item listed for the December 1, 2025 Youth Advisory Committee meeting be received for information.

CARRIED

7. COMMITTEE AND STAFF REPORTS

7.1 Report – YOU-2025-011 – Committee Goals and Objectives and Working on our Projects

Resolution No. 2025-047:

Moved by Jasmine Coburn and
 Seconded by Aaron Dochstader

That report YOU-2025-011 entitled Committee Goals and Objectives and Works on our Projects be received; and,

That the updated 2026 presentation schedule be approved as presented; and,

That the Youth Advisory Committee endorse the following Goals/Objectives to be considered by Council for 2026:

Proposed Goals and Objectives	Sub-Committee
Safe Communities Bike Rodeo (May 2026)	Oliver Van Gerwen, Carter Devries, Suraj Jheeta
Aberfoyle Agricultural Society Fall Fair (September 2026)	Kaiden Wineberg, Xander Wineberg, Danica Reed, Talia Wineberg
Puslinch Community Showcase (October 2026)	Katey Whaling, Nimrit Basi, Jasmine Coburn, Oliver Van Gerwen



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Local Government Initiatives (Timing TBD)	Aaron Dochstader, Kenzo Szatori, Nimrit Basi, Katey Whaling
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CARRIED

7.2 Report – YOU-2025-012 – 2026 Snack Schedule

Resolution No. 2025-048:

Moved by Kaiden Wineberg and
Seconded by Kenzo Szatori

That report YOU-2025-012 entitled 2026 Snack Schedule be received; and,

That the Snack Schedule be approved as presented.

CARRIED

7.3 Ice Breaker Activity – Township Staff

Resolution No. 2025-049:

Moved by Oliver Van Gerwen and
Seconded by Katey Whaling

That the ice breaker activity be received for information.

CARRIED

8. CORRESPONDENCE

None

9. ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

10. NOTICE OF MOTION

None

11. NEW BUSINESS

Committee member Oliver Van Gerwen discussed the ditches by the playground at Boreham Park highlighting his concerns with the recent fencing that was put in around the ditches. Township staff will provide an update of the safety study that was completed for Boreham Park at the January 2026 Committee meeting.



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12. ADJOURNMENT

Resolution No. 2025-050:

Moved by Nimrit Basi and
Seconded by Kaiden Wineberg

That the Youth Advisory Committee hereby adjourns at 7:35 p.m.

CARRIED



REPORT YOU-2026-001

TO: Youth Advisory Committee

PREPARED BY: Laura Emery, Manager of Corporate Services / Deputy Clerk

PRESENTED BY: Laura Emery, Manager of Corporate Services / Deputy Clerk

MEETING DATE: January 12, 2026

SUBJECT: Committee Goals and Objectives Update & Working on our Projects

RECOMMENDATION

That report YOU-2026-001 entitled Committee Goals and Objectives & Working on our Projects be received; and,

That the presentations be Suraj Jheeta and Danica Reed be received.

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to review the Youth Advisory Committee's 2026 Goals and Objectives and to receive presentations from two Committee members.

Background

At the December 17, 2025 Council meeting, Council approved the goals and objectives for the Committee for the 2026 calendar year. All 2026 goals and objectives have been completed and is outlined below. Committee members must participate in each one event per year.

Approved Goal and Objective	Sub-committee Members	Date
Safe Communities Bike Rodeo	Oliver Van Gerwen, Carter Devries, Suraj Jheeta	May 2026
Aberfoyle Agricultural Society Fall Fair	Kaiden Wineberg, Xander Wineberg, Danica Reed, Talia Wineberg	September 2026
Puslinch Community Showcase	Katey Whaling, Nimrit Basi, Jasmine Coburn, Oliver Van Gerwen	October 2026
Local Government Initiatives	Aaron Dochstader, Kenzo Szatori, Nimrit Basi, Katey Whaling	TBD

Comments

The ice breaker schedule is noted below:

Meeting Date	Committee Member
January 2026	Nimrit Basi
February 2026	Jasmine Coburn
March 2026	Oliver Van Gerwen
April 2026	Kaiden Wineberg
May 2026	Kenzo Szatori
June 2026	Xander Wineberg
September 2026	Township Staff

The presentation schedule is noted below:

Meeting Date	Committee Member #1	Committee Member #2
January 2026	Suraj Jheeta	Danica Reed
February 2026	Kaiden Wineberg	Oliver Van Gerwen
March 2026	Jasmine Coburn	Talia Wineberg
April 2026	Nimrit Basi	Kaiden Wineberg
May 2026	Aaron Dochstader	Carter Devries
June 2026	Kenzo Szatori	Suraj Jheeta

Financial Implications

None

Applicable Legislation and Requirements

None

Engagement Opportunities

None

Attachments

None



Bruce-Dufferin-Grey-Wellington Regional Transit Study Community Survey

The Counties of Bruce, Dufferin, Grey and Wellington, together with Saugeen Mobility And Regional Transit (SMART), are conducting a joint Regional Transit Study. The study will explore whether a unified regional transit network across all four counties is possible. The goal is to make travel easier for passengers, identify efficiencies through collaboration, and expand service to areas that currently have limited transportation options.

We are at the initial stages of this study and need your help to understand your travel needs and what a regional transit network should look like.

Your feedback will be used to develop the Regional Transit Plan, including types of service, service hours, frequency, and passenger fares.

The plan will be presented to the County Councils and the SMART Board of Directors in the Spring of 2026, who will determine the next steps.

Your participation is important in shaping the future of transit in our community. **Your responses will remain confidential and will only be used to inform the study. Only summary-level results (not individual responses) will be shared publicly.** The survey should take approximately 5-10 minutes to complete.

Completed paper surveys can be picked up, mailed and dropped off at:

1. **Bruce County:** 30 Park St, PO Box 70, Walkerton, ON, N0G 2V0
2. **Dufferin County:**
 - 55 Zina St, Orangeville, ON, L9W 1E5 or
 - Edelbrock Centre, 30 Centre St Orangeville, ON, L9W 2X1
3. **Grey County:** 595 9th Ave E, Owen Sound, ON, N4K 3E3
4. **Wellington County:** 74 Woolwich St, Guelph, ON, N1H 3T9

The survey will close on January 25, 2026, at 11:59 pm.

If you have any questions or require an accommodation to participate, please contact the Project Team Lead at Stephanie.Stewart@grey.ca or 519-370-2094, and we will work with you to meet your accessibility needs.



Instructions: Please check “√” in the box next to the most appropriate option for you. You may select multiple answers to questions that are labelled as “select all that apply”.

Where you live and travel to most

1. Do you own or have access to a personal vehicle?

- I own or lease my vehicle
- I regularly borrow one from family or friends
- No

2. Where do you live?

<p>Bruce County</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Arran-Elderslie <input type="checkbox"/> Brockton <input type="checkbox"/> Huron-Kinloss <input type="checkbox"/> Kincardine <input type="checkbox"/> Northern Bruce Peninsula <input type="checkbox"/> Saugeen Shores <input type="checkbox"/> South Bruce <input type="checkbox"/> South Bruce Peninsula 	<p>Saugeen Ojibway Nation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Chippewas of Nawash Unceded First Nation (Neyaashiinigmiing 27) <input type="checkbox"/> Saugeen First Nation (Saugeen 29)
<p>Dufferin County</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Amaranth <input type="checkbox"/> East Garafraxa <input type="checkbox"/> Grand Valley <input type="checkbox"/> Melancthon 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Mono <input type="checkbox"/> Mulmur <input type="checkbox"/> Orangeville <input type="checkbox"/> Shelburne
<p>Grey County</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Chatsworth <input type="checkbox"/> Georgian Bluffs <input type="checkbox"/> Grey Highlands <input type="checkbox"/> Hanover <input type="checkbox"/> Meaford 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Owen Sound <input type="checkbox"/> Southgate <input type="checkbox"/> The Blue Mountains <input type="checkbox"/> West Grey
<p>Wellington County</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Centre Wellington <input type="checkbox"/> Erin <input type="checkbox"/> Guelph/Eramosa 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Mapleton <input type="checkbox"/> Minto <input type="checkbox"/> Puslinch <input type="checkbox"/> Wellington North
<p>Other</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Another municipality in Ontario (please specify) _____ 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Prefer not to answer

Existing Transit Options

3. There are several transit options in the four counties, providing local, inter-municipal, and community transportation services. Please check which of the transit or community transportation options you have used over the past six months (select all that apply).

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Owen Sound City Bus Service | <input type="checkbox"/> GO Transit |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Grey Transit Route (GTR) | <input type="checkbox"/> Saugeen Mobility and Regional Transit |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Guelph Owen Sound Transit (GOST) | <input type="checkbox"/> Dufferin County Community Support Services |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Orangeville Transit | <input type="checkbox"/> Home & Community Support Services of Grey-Bruce |
| <input type="checkbox"/> RIDE WELL (Wellington County) | <input type="checkbox"/> Meaford Moves |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Colltrans (the Town of Blue Mountain) | <input type="checkbox"/> None of the above |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Guelph Transit | |

4. How would you rate the following elements of the transit or community transportation services you have used over the past six months? Please respond based on the service you take most frequently. If you haven't ridden the service or are unfamiliar with any part of the service, choose "I don't know".

Service Element	Satisfied	Neutral	Dissatisfied	I don't know
Fare price	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Fare payment options (e.g. cash, pass)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The days of the week service is available	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The start and end time of the service each day	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Frequency or wait time	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Accessibility (supporting passengers with disabilities)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Ease of planning your trip	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Ease of booking your trip	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Service area (where the service takes me)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Reliability (service is on time)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Other (please specify) _____	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

5. What are the top reasons you use transit (or would use it if it were available in your community)? Select all that apply.

- For work or school trips
- To access medical appointments
- For shopping or errands
- To access recreational activities, community events, religious services, or visit family and friends
- To access regional transportation (e.g., GO Transit)
- For other types of trips
- I do not or would not use transit because I have reliable access to a vehicle
- I do not or would not use transit because I don't feel safe travelling with others
- I do not or would not use transit because of a disability or other factor that would make me unable to use transit
- I do not or would not use transit for other reasons

Potential Transit Service

6. If an inter-community transit service were available (existing or new), which communities would you most frequently travel to using the service from where you live? (select up to three)

<p>Bruce County</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Arran-Elderslie <input type="checkbox"/> Brockton <input type="checkbox"/> Huron-Kinloss <input type="checkbox"/> Kincardine <input type="checkbox"/> Northern Bruce Peninsula <input type="checkbox"/> Saugeen Shores <input type="checkbox"/> South Bruce <input type="checkbox"/> South Bruce Peninsula 	<p>Saugeen Ojibway Nation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Chippewas of Nawash Unceded First Nation (Neyaashiinigmiing 27) <input type="checkbox"/> Saugeen First Nation (Saugeen 29)
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<p>Other</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Another municipality in Ontario (please specify) _____ 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Prefer not to answer

7. What time of day would you most often take these trips (from the previous question) to your primary destinations? (select up to three)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Weekday early morning (5:00 am – 7:00 am) | <input type="checkbox"/> Weekday afternoon peak (4:00 pm – 6:00 pm) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Weekday morning peak (7:00 am – 9:00 am) | <input type="checkbox"/> Weekday evening (after 6:00 pm) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Weekday midday (9:00 am – 4:00 pm) | <input type="checkbox"/> Weekend daytime (7:00 am – 6:00 pm) |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Weekend evening (after 6:00 pm) |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> None of the above |

8. “How often do you currently use, or would you use inter-community transit route(s) to travel to the places you visit most within the four Counties?”

- | | |
|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Daily | <input type="checkbox"/> Every two weeks |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 4-5 days a week | <input type="checkbox"/> Once per month or less |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1-3 days a week | <input type="checkbox"/> Never |

9. What are your top priorities for an effective transit network across all four Counties? Please select up to six in total across the categories listed below.

Service Design

- Focus on providing frequent and reliable service to key destinations
- Focus on improved coverage to all residents, including rural areas of each County
- Focus on ensuring seamless connections to other Transit networks (e.g., GO Transit)
- Provide seamless connections between local and inter-county services

Service Hours

- Focus on more frequent service on weekdays during the daytime periods
- Focus on extending service later into the evenings on weekdays, which may mean less service during the day
- Focus on extending service on weekends, which may mean less service on weekdays

Passenger Experience

- Focus on ensuring the service is as accessible as possible for persons with disabilities
- Provide real-time information and easy-to-understand trip planning tools
- Use vehicles with lower impact on the environment
- Provide several convenient ways to pay for my fare
- Keep fares low (affordable), which may mean a higher contribution from the municipal tax base



WELLINGTON
COUNTY

SAUGEEN MOBILITY
and REGIONAL TRANSIT

Tell us about you

By answering a few questions about yourself, you help us understand how age and personal mobility influence travel within the four Counties. These responses will also help us understand whether the survey responses are representative of members of our community. Participation is voluntary, and you may skip any questions you prefer not to answer.

12. Do you have access to a smartphone with a data plan?

- Yes
- No
- Prefer not to answer

13. Are you a member of any of the following communities?

- Old Order Amish
- Conservative Mennonite group
- Other (Please specify): _____
- No, I am not a member of either of these groups
- Prefer not to answer

14. Are you First Nations*, Métis or Inuk (Inuit)? * First Nations includes Status and Non-Status Indians

- No, not First Nations, Métis or Inuk (Inuit)
- Yes, First Nations, (North American Indian)
- Yes, Métis
- Yes, Inuk (Inuit)
- Prefer not to answer

15. How do you identify yourself in terms of race or membership in a racialized group? (Select all that apply)

- Indigenous (First Nations, Métis, Inuit)
- White / European Origin (e.g., German, Irish, Italian, English, Spanish, French, etc.)
- Black / African Origin (e.g., Jamaican, Nigerian, African-Canadian)
- East Asian (e.g., Chinese, Japanese, Korean, Taiwanese)
- South Asian (e.g., Indian, Pakistani, Bangladeshi, Sri Lankan)
- Southeast Asian (e.g., Filipino, Vietnamese, Cambodian, Thai)
- Middle Eastern / West Asian / Arab (e.g., Iranian, Lebanese, Egyptian)
- Latin American (e.g. Cuban, Salvadoran, Chilean)
- Prefer to self-describe: _____
- Prefer not to answer

16. Which of the following categories best describes your current employment status?

- Working full-time, that is, 30 or more hours per week
- Working part-time, that is, less than 30 hours per week
- Self-employed or doing unpaid work for a family member's business or farm
- Unemployed, that is, looking for work, temporarily laid off, or starting a new job within a month
- Not in the workforce, that is, not available or not able to do paid work due to school, family responsibilities, disability or retirement, for example
- Prefer not to answer

17. Which of the following best describes your total household income last year, before taxes, from all sources for all household members?

- Under \$20,000
- \$20,000 to just under \$40,000
- \$40,000 to just under \$60,000
- \$60,000 to just under \$80,000
- \$80,000 to just under \$100,000
- \$100,000 to just under \$150,000
- \$150,000 and above
- Prefer not to answer

Thank you for completing the survey. We appreciate your feedback and will use it to further develop a transit plan. Please visit project page at: <https://www.grey.ca/regional-transit> to stay informed and learn how your feedback is being considered.