



## MUNICIPALITY OF **West Elgin**

### Staff Report

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**Report To:** Council Meeting  
**From:** Emily Jocius, Operations & Community Services Coordinator  
**Date:** 2022-02-24  
**Subject:** Youth Task Team Request

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#### **Recommendation:**

That West Elgin Council hereby receives the report from Emily Jocius, Operations and Community Services Coordinator re: Youth Task Team Request to Join West Elgin Recreation Committee; and

That West Elgin Council hereby \_\_\_\_\_

#### **Purpose:**

The purpose of this report is to provide council with background information on the youth task team request to join the West Elgin Recreation Committee

#### **Background:**

The Youth Task Team of Dutton Dunwich and West Elgin is a local committee comprised of youth and community members that runs out of the West Elgin Community Health Centre. The Youth Task Teams goals is to make sure decisions from community groups and organizations include a youth impact lens. To provide the youth impact lens the Youth Task Team has approached the West Elgin Recreation Committee with ideas and funds to provide programming to an under served portion of our community.

With this request the West Elgin Recreation Committee could provide programming and events geared towards youth 12-17 years. As the West Elgin Recreation Committee is a committee of council there are a few options to consider.

The youth voice is important to hear and be part of the process in creating programming for them. The one concern is this committee has members that “age out” possibly during the term of Council and could cause issues with quorum at the meetings. Therefore, staff have provided three options for Council to consider.

#### **Option one**

Appoint two members of the Youth Task Team become voting members of the West Elgin Recreation Committee. This will provide the Committee with youth perspective.

### Option Two

Two members from the Youth Task Team are appointed as non-voting members of the West Elgin Recreation Committee. This will allow the voice of youth to be heard on the committee but will not impact quorum if the members fluctuate.

### Option Three

One member from the Youth Task Team be appointed as a voting member and would sit on the committee for 4 years. A second member would be appointed as a non-voting member.