

Council highlights

Delegation: Cochrane Society for Housing Options

In September 2023 the Cochrane Society for Housing Options (CSHO) presented Council with an Affordable Housing Brief that outlined the need for additional affordable housing in Cochrane. Following the presentation, the CSHO committed to identifying the ideal characteristics that a parcel of land would contain so that it is ready to be transformed into new affordable housing.

The CSHO presented their criteria for land suitable for affordable housing construction to assist Council in determining a parcel of land that could be provided to CSHO to develop into new affordable housing.

Delegation: Alberta Health Services

Tony Pasich, Associate Executive Director, Doug Odney, Zone Director, Tyler Farkas, Zone Director and Carolyn Paradis, Senior Advisor, Community Engagement, Alberta Health Services provided Committee of the Whole with an update on the latest response times and EMS initiatives.

Delegation: Bragg Creek Trails Association

Eric Lloyd, Director, and Gordon Salahor, Campaign Manager, will present Committee of the Whole with details of West Bragg Creek trails and the upcoming Trails, 2025 Expansion project.

Public Engagement Policy 1106-03

Cochrane's public engagement policy was originally adopted in June 2006, with revision approvals in 2014 and 2018. Administration has drafted policy updates for Council's consideration that reflect a jurisdictional and legislative scan, as well as feedback collected through the Let's Talk

Cochrane public engagement conducted in late 2023.

Cochrane Age Friendly Initiative - Update

Administration provided Council with an update on the status of the Cochrane Age Friendly Initiative, including the public engagement results as summarized in the "What We Heard" report.

The insights gathered from the public engagement will help to inform the development of an action plan. The Cochrane Age-Friendly Steering Committee will be developing an action plan for Council's feedback and consideration.

By developing an Age Friendly Strategy, Cochrane is taking a proactive and inclusive approach to addressing demographic trends. This plan will serve as a guide for municipal decision makers and community stakeholders in addressing the current needs and priorities of Cochrane's aging population.