



Staff Report

Report To: Dan Best, Chief Administrative Officer
From: **Rebekah Msuya-Collison, Municipal Clerk**
Date: January 21 2019
Report: 6-2019
Subject: Post-Election Accessibility Report

Recommendations:

That South Huron Council receive the report from R. Msuya-Collison re: Post-Election Accessibility Report.

Purpose:

Information.

Background and Analysis:

In accordance with section 12.1(3) of the Municipal Elections Act, 1996, the Clerk shall provide a report, within 90 days after voting day in a regular election, about the identification, removal and prevention of barriers that affect electors and candidates with accessibility needs. The report will be available to the public and posted on the Municipal website in an accessible format.

The focus of the Post-Election Accessibility Report is to evaluate the accessibility of the electoral services offered to all electors and candidates in the 2018 Municipal Election. This report outlines the various initiatives undertaken during the course of the 2018 Municipal Election regarding the identification, removal and prevention of barriers that affect electors and candidates with disabilities.

Feedback

Public feedback about the manner in which election services were provided to persons with accessible needs may be submitted to the Clerk through a variety of methods:

- Telephone: 519-235-0310
- Email: clerk@southhuron.ca
- Mail or in person: 322 Main Street South, Box 759 Exeter ON N0M1S6

The feedback process provides election staff with an opportunity to take corrective measures to prevent similar recurrences, address training needs, enhance service delivery and provide alternative methods of providing election services. The report is on the website.

Operational Considerations:

There are no other operational considerations as a result of the actions outlined in this report.

South Huron's Strategic Plan:

Section 6.2.2 of the Municipality of South Huron 2015-2019 Strategic Plan identifies key priorities and strategic directions. The following elements are supported by the actions outlined in this report:

- ✓ Transparent, Accountable, and Collaborative Governance

Financial Impact:

There are no financial implications as a result of the actions outlined in this report.

Legal Impact:

Required by legislation, there are no legal implications as a result of the actions outlined in this report.

Staffing Impact:

There are no staffing implications as a result of the actions outlined in this report

Policies/Legislation:

Municipal Elections Act, 1996

Consultation:

Simply Voting, Election System Provider

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Related Documents:

2018 Post Election Accessibility Report

Respectfully submitted,

Rebekah Msuya-Collison, Municipal Clerk