

# **MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Chair and Members of the Planning, Public Works, and

**Transportation Committee** 

**FROM:** Robert Stribbell, Transportation Planner

**DATE:** April 16, 2019

MEMORANDUM NO.: MEM-TPW-2019-0010

**RE:** Bike Summit Update

## PURPOSE OF THE MEMORANDUM:

The purpose of this memo is to provide the Committee with an update on the Bike Summit that was hosted by the Bike It Committee on March 6, 2019 at Mold-Masters SportsPlex.

#### **BACKGROUND:**

The Halton Hills Bike It Committee is a subcommittee of the Town's Active Transportation Advisory Committee and is a group of volunteers who have a passion for promoting cycling and cycling safety. The Committee was created to assist the Town in implementing its Cycling Master Plan. The Committee organizes a series of cycling initiatives each year to promote and encourage more cycling by our residents.

## **COMMENTS:**

The Bike It Committee works in partnership with the Town of Halton Hills with the goal of achieving Silver designation in the Bicycle Friendly Community Program which is administered by the Share the Road Coalition. The Town of Halton Hills received its Bronze designation in 2014. In 2018, the Town submitted an updated application to Share the Road Coalition with the goal of obtaining a Silver designation. In an effort to increase cycling in the Town, recruit more volunteers to the Bike It Committee and work to obtain Silver designation from Share the Road, a Bike Summit was held on March 6, 2019.

Attachment 1 is a report prepared by the Bike It Committee outlining the evening's events and activities. The report also provides a summary of what the Committee heard from the participants and what should be the priorities and areas of focus over the next year.

The results from the Bike Summit will be considered as part of the Active Transportation Master Plan currently being undertaken by the Town.

# **CONCLUSION:**

The Cycling Master Plan, adopted in 2010, provides guidance for the development of cycling infrastructure but also includes the need to encourage more cycling and provide skills development. The Bike It Committee is making a significant contribution towards achieving these additional goals in the Cycling Master Plan.

Reviewed and approved by,

Maureen Van Ravens, Manager of Transportation

**Chris Mills, Commissioner of Transportation and Public Works** 

**Brent Marshall, Chief Administrative Officer**