

## THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF DEEP RIVER

### East End Lands Management Advisory Committee Terms of Reference

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The Council of the Corporation of the Town of Deep River accepts responsibility for the management of the East End Lands by:

1. Cooperatively managing the land for its recreational and ecological values;
2. Maintaining and conserving the natural flora and fauna for public enjoyment and education; and
3. Retaining a trail network for the benefit of the general public in all seasons.

The East End Lands Management Advisory Committee is responsible for making recommendations to Council on matters related to the management of the East End Lands. Specifically, the committee:

1. Advises Council on the management and maintenance of the land;
2. Acts as the steering committee for drafting a management plan for Council consideration consistent with the vision and guiding principles (see Appendix A);
3. Provides advice to Council on individual requests regarding the use of the land;
4. Advises Council on budgetary requirements for the management of the land; and
5. Administers any other related matters referred to the committee by Council.

#### Meetings

1. The committee will be chaired by a member of Council.
2. The committee will determine meeting dates, time and location and shall meet four times per year, or as required.
3. A quorum will consist of two members of Council and a representative from at least three user groups.

#### Membership

Membership of the East End Lands Management Advisory Committee will consist of:

- 2 members of Council
- 1 representative from the Four Seasons Conservatory
- 1 representative from the Deep River Cross-County Ski Club
- 1 representative from the Deep River Snowmobile Club
- 1 representative from the additional user groups, including hikers, dog walkers, horseback riders and mountain bikers
- 2 members of Town staff (for the purpose of support staff for the committee)

The EELMAC may also invite individuals/groups who have special skills or knowledge beneficial to the group's discussion at specific meetings. Some potential groups include:

- Deep River & District Community Foundation
- Local school community
- Local foresters
- Algonquin College
- County of Renfrew

## **Appendix A**

### Vision

The East End Lands is an area of community forest set aside and cooperatively managed for its recreational and ecological values, with the goal of maintaining and conserving the natural flora and fauna for public enjoyment and education while retaining a trail network for the benefit of the general public in all seasons.

### Guiding Principles

1. Multi-use recreation
2. Cooperative management and maintenance (by volunteers, user groups, Council, Town staff)
3. Mutual respect amongst all users
4. Respect for the environment
5. Long-term protection and maintenance of the land's ecological and biological diversity
6. Economic benefit to the community without commercial resource extraction
7. Eco-tourist destination
8. Healthy lifestyle promotion
9. Environmental education