



## Minutes

### Agriculture and Agri-Food Advisory Committee

November 13, 2024

Electronic Meeting

Members: J. Bartley, A. Eek, K. Empringham, A. Gomes, L. Jittoo,  
S. Paisley, J. Pegg, J. Tong, E. Ali

Staff: C. Banfield, K. Doyle, M. Hassanali, N. Mohammed, B. Switzer,  
J. Wheatle

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#### A. Call to Order

The York Region Agriculture and Agri-Food Advisory Committee meeting was called to order at 4:03 p.m. with Councillor Eek as Chair.

#### B. Land Acknowledgement

"We acknowledge that York Region is located on the traditional territory of many Indigenous peoples including the Anishinaabeg, Haudenosaunee, Huron-Wendat and Métis peoples and the treaty territories of the Haudenosaunee, Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation and Williams Treaties First Nations.

Today this area is home to many diverse Indigenous Peoples, and we recognize their history, spirituality, culture and stewardship of this land.

We also acknowledge the Chippewas of Georgina Island First Nation as our closest First Nation community."

#### C. Disclosures of Interest

None

#### D. Presentations

##### D.1 York Farm Fresh 2024 Year End Report

The Committee received the presentation by Lyf Stolte, Coordinator, York Farm Fresh Association

##### D.2 Updated Ontario Building Code and Impact to Agriculture

The Committee received the presentation by Andrew Quattrociocchi, Chief Building Official, Township of King

### **D.3 2024-2027 Agriculture and Agri-food Sector Strategy and Program Updates**

The Committee received the presentation by Meena Hassanali, Program Manager, Rural and Agri-Food Initiatives, Nadia Mohammed, Rural and Agri-Food Specialist and Eman Ali, Communications Advisory, Economic Strategy

#### **E. Deputations**

None

#### **F. Communications**

None

#### **G. Other Business**

##### **G.1 Member Roundtable Updates**

#### **H. Adjournment**

The York Region Agriculture and Agri-Food Advisory Committee meeting adjourned at 5:47 p.m.