

As someone who is very active in the Richmond Hill community, I would like my councillors to know that I strongly support this report (<https://pub-richmondhill.escribemeetings.com/filestream.ashx?DocumentId=33024>) and wish to see our city be an Age Friendly Community.

I would like to see the plan acted upon and that there is an establishment of a Seniors Advisory Committee.

I have been involved with the establishment of a very successful Richmond Hill Speaker Series, attended primarily by retirees. I regard this demographic of our community as a real asset. They bring wealth, knowledge and experience. Richmond Hill should be regarded as an ideal place to retire.

I acknowledge that there are already many things in place here. Publicly there is the McConaghy Senior's Centre, the 55+ membership, programming at RHCPA, to name a few. The Lawn Bowling Club, Curling Club, and Curtain Club are three very successful private organizations that caterer predominantly to the older adult. But we can do better. If we look around at communities, such as are found in Florida, there are many examples of how they service the needs of the older adult very well (except the weather!). A Seniors Advisory Committee could provide advice as to what we can do better.

Sincerely,

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