

## **FAQ: 2026 Committee Launch**

**Q: How many positions are available?**

**A: There are 28 positions in total. Each of the four committees will consist of seven members, including a Chair appointed by the committee itself.**

**Q: Is this just for residents of "Old Town"?**

**A: Absolutely not. The NOTLRA is committed to representing every district of Niagara-on-the-Lake. We specifically want diverse voices from across the entire municipality to address common issues.**

**Q: What is the time commitment?**

**A: While schedules vary by committee, members are expected to attend regular meetings and may choose to form smaller "working groups" for specific, time-sensitive tasks.**

**Q: How much influence will the Board have over committees?**

**A: Each committee will have a Board Director liaison to provide training and two-way communication. However, committees are designed to be proactive and strategic, focusing on distilling complex issues into readable recommendations for Town staff and Council.**

**Q: What are the immediate priorities?**

**A: For 2026, we are focusing on:**

- 1. The October Municipal Election (candidate/incumbent review).**
- 2. Development (schools, youth/senior support).**
- 3. Finance (budgets and infrastructure).**
- 4. Tourism (Destination Niagara Strategy, noise, and parks).**

**Q: Why the focus on Town Staff instead of just Council?**

**A: Council decisions are guided by Staff recommendations. By working cooperatively with the Town's newly restructured senior staff, we can ensure the information reaching Council is high-quality, readable, and aligned with resident needs.**