

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.