



## Advisory Committee on Aging

Conducted Electronically Via MS Teams

Thursday, March 11, 2021  
1:00 PM

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### Agenda

#### Public Participation for March 11, 2021 Advisory Committee on Aging Meeting

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1. **Call to Order**

2. **Adoption of Agenda**

3. **Minutes of Previous Meetings**

3.1. Advisory Committee on Aging Meeting - February 11, 2021

4. **Presentation**

4.1. Darline Reid, Area Manager Seniors Health, Alberta Health Services re:  
Willow Square Update

5. **New and Unfinished Business**

5.1. Age Friendly Working Group re: Age Friendly Work Plan Update

5.2. Carolyn Evancio re: Seniors COVID-19 Vaccination

5.3. Action Log

5.4. Information Updates

**Adjournment**

**Minutes of a Meeting of the Advisory Committee on Aging held via Electronic Communications, on Thursday, February 11, 2021, commencing at 1:00 PM.**

**Present:**

Henry Hunter, Wood Buffalo Housing Development  
 Linda Mywaart, Public-at-Large - Rural  
 Luana Bussieres, Public-at-Large - Urban  
 Carolyn Evancio, Seniors Resource Committee  
 Joan Furber, Golden Years Society  
 Carol Theberge, Wood Buffalo Health Advisory Council  
 Keith McGrath, Councillor

**Administration:**

Deanne Bergey, Director, Community and Protective Services  
 Toni Elliott, Senior Manager, Community Services  
 Sonia Soutter, Manager, Senior Legislative Officer  
 Melissa Williams, Department Administrator, Neighbourhood & Community Development  
 Destiny Hilliard, Clerk, Legislative Services

**1. Call to Order**

Chair, Henry Hunter, called the meeting to order at 1:06 p.m.

**2. Adoption of Agenda**

**MOTION:**

THAT the agenda be adopted as presented.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>CARRIED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Linda Mywaart, Public-at-Large - Rural
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Luana Bussieres, Public-at-Large - Urban
<b>FOR:</b>	Bussieres, Hunter, Evancio, McGrath, Mywaart, Furber, Theberge

**3. Minutes of Previous Meetings**

**3.1. Advisory Committee on Aging Meeting - January 14, 2021**

**MOTION:**

THAT the minutes of the Advisory Committee on Aging Meeting held on January 14, 2021 be approved as presented.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>CARRIED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Carol Theberge, Wood Buffalo Health Advisory Council
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Linda Mywaart, Public-at-Large - Rural
<b>FOR:</b>	Bussieres, Hunter, Evancio, McGrath, Mywaart, Furber, Theberge

**4. Presentation****4.1. Voices of Albertans with Disabilities - Margot Brunner**

Margot Brunner and Sam Mason, Accessibility Coordinators, Voices of Albertans with Disabilities, provided an overview of their organization and gave insight on the support and resource's they provide on accessibility for seniors and how to build age friendly environments.

**4.2. Such Chandhiok, Planning and Development, re: Municipal Development Plan Phase II Engagement**

Such Chandhiok, Planning and Development, Pamela Downey and Nicholas Kuhl, O2 Consulting Group, provided an update on phase two engagement of the Municipal Development Plan and sought feedback from the Committee on the draft vision and goals.

**5. New and Unfinished Business****5.1. Age Friendly Work Plan Update**

Melissa Williams, Department Administrator, and Martin Byaruhanga, Social Planner, Community and Protective Services, provided an overview of the draft workplan, outlining the Committee's achievements and goals moving forward over the next three years.

As next steps, the subcommittee will add priorities under each domain on the workplan, and the rankings will be determined at a future Committee meeting.

**5.2. Information Updates**

Carolyn Evancio, and Luana Bussieres, will meet with a representative from the Transportation division of the Public Works Department regarding transportation for seniors to access the COVID-19 vaccine once it becomes available

Carol Theberge provided updates on the Willow Square Long-Term Care facility, noting the move of patients from the Northern Lights Regional Hospital to Willow Square is anticipated to happen at the end of May 2021. In addition, it was noted that transportation for residents of Willow Square has been procured, to provide residents with access to the COVID-19 vaccine when it is rolled out.

Henry Hunter reported that wellness calls are being made to residents living in Wood Buffalo Housing. It was also noted that residents of Fort Chipewyan received the COVID-19 vaccination due being a remote community with no access to medical staff.

### 5.3. Action Log

Melissa Williams, Department Administrator, will invite Darlene Reid, Alberta Health Services, to the Committee's March meeting.

All other actions are ongoing.

#### MOTION:

THAT Henry Hunter, Chair, and Linda Mywaart, Vice Chair, provide an update on the Advisory Committee on Aging's Workplan at the April 13, 2021 Council meeting.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>CARRIED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Luana Bussieres, Public-at-Large - Urban
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Carolyn Evancio, Seniors Resource Committee
<b>FOR:</b>	Bussieres, Hunter, Evancio, McGrath, Mywaart, Furber, Theberge

### Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 2:26 p.m.

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Chair

# Willow Square Continuing Care Centre



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# Overview

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- Alberta Health Services (AHS) was granted possession of Willow Square in January 2021, and immediately began work on the commissioning phase of the project.
  - The facility is built on 70% of the Willow Square site and the remaining 30% will be used for future developments as needed.
  - Willow Square will provide residents in the Fort McMurray region a modern continuing care centre that will meet their present and changing residential and medical needs.
  - We expect to begin welcoming residents in mid-2021.
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# Bed Capacity

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- ✓ Capacity for 142 Beds
- ✓ 108 beds available on opening day
- 36 spaces shelled for future development.
  - Ø 34 long term care beds + 2 respite beds
  - Ø 34 supportive living beds + 2 palliative care beds
  - Ø 36 memory care beds

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## Service Models

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### • Long Term Care

- complex unpredictable medical needs
- requiring 24-hour on site Registered Nurse assessment and/or treatment
- Supported by LPN and HCA staff

### • Supportive Living (DSL4)

- 24-hour on-site scheduled and unscheduled professional and personal care and support
  - LPN and HCA staff
  - RN support on call
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### •Memory Care (DSL4D)

- a secured therapeutic environment.
- provides 24-hour on site professional and personal care / support provided by LPN and HCA
- RN support on call
- Case management as needed by RN

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## Willow Square: Commissioning

The commissioning phase is crucial to ensuring the building and medical systems, and our healthcare teams are all fully prepared to provide safe and quality care to our patients prior to opening the facility.

Commissioning work includes:

- Final cleaning of the entire building,
- Installation of furniture and equipment.
- Training staff on new medical equipment and systems



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## Willow Square

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Interior landscaping is complete with exterior landscaping being completed.



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# Willow Square Interior

Reception Area



Wall Mural



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## Fireplace

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## Wayfinding Signs



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## Bridges Program Kitchen Area

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Library Area



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# Services and Amenities

- ✓ Hair Salon
- ✓ Bridges Program
- ✓ Foot Care Clinic
- ✓ Rehab Gym
- ✓ Quiet Room (chapel)

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# Services and Amenities

- ✓ Family Dining Room
- ✓ Café
- ✓ Family Suite
- ✓ Medicine Wheel Room
- ✓ Library

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# QUESTIONS



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# AGE FRIENDLY WOOD BUFFALO

Age Friendly Work Plan Draft 2021-2024




# Introduction

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- What an Age-Friendly Community means
  - Needs Assessment summary results;
  - Wood Buffalo Seniors by numbers



## The Work Plan Lead

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- The Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo
  - The Advisory Committee on Aging (ACoA) and;
  - Community Stakeholders

The World Health Organization-  
Eight Domains



Housing



Transportation



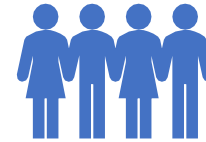
Community  
Supports and  
Health Services



Social  
Participation



# The World Health Organization- Eight Domains



Civic Participation  
and Employment  
Opportunities



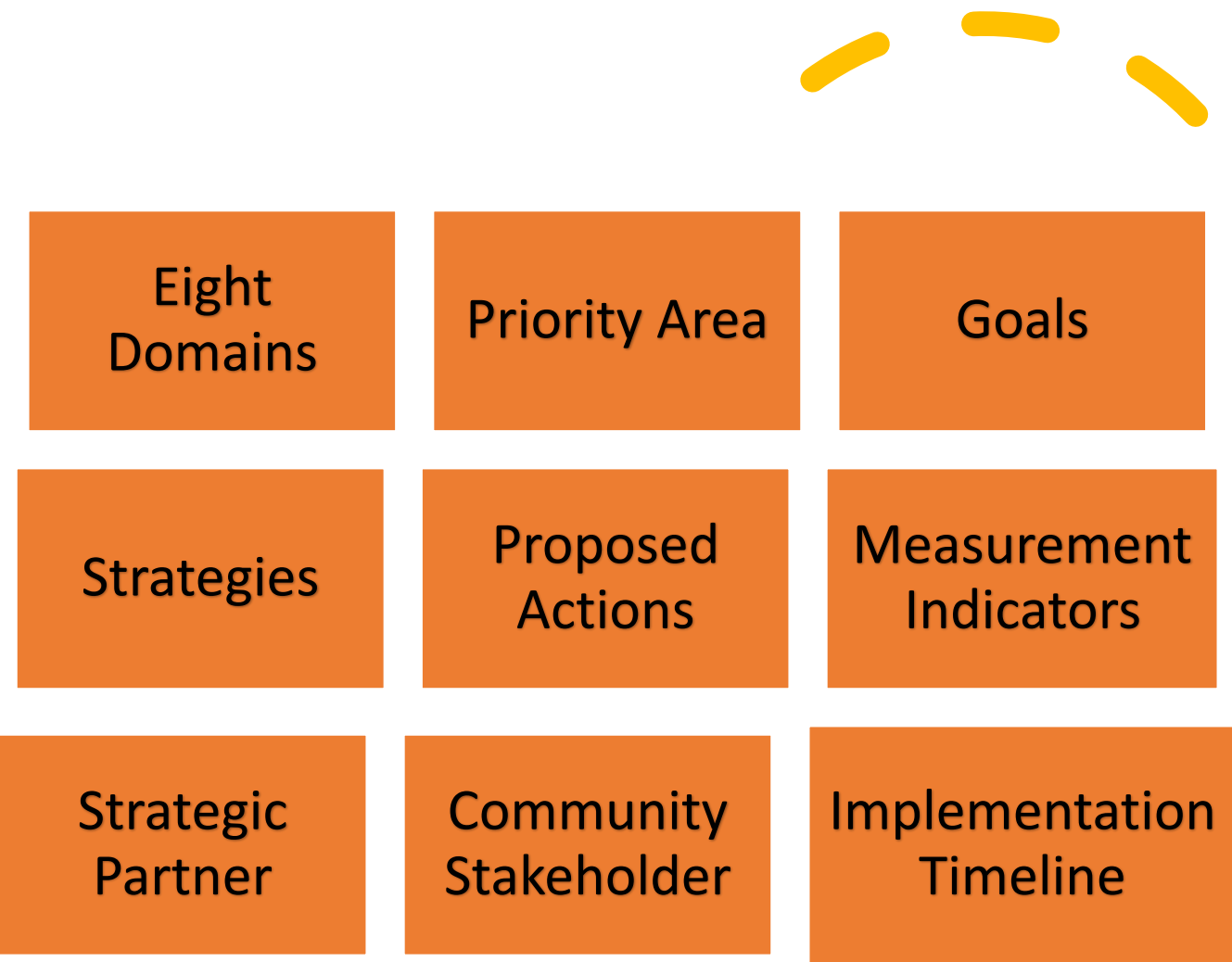
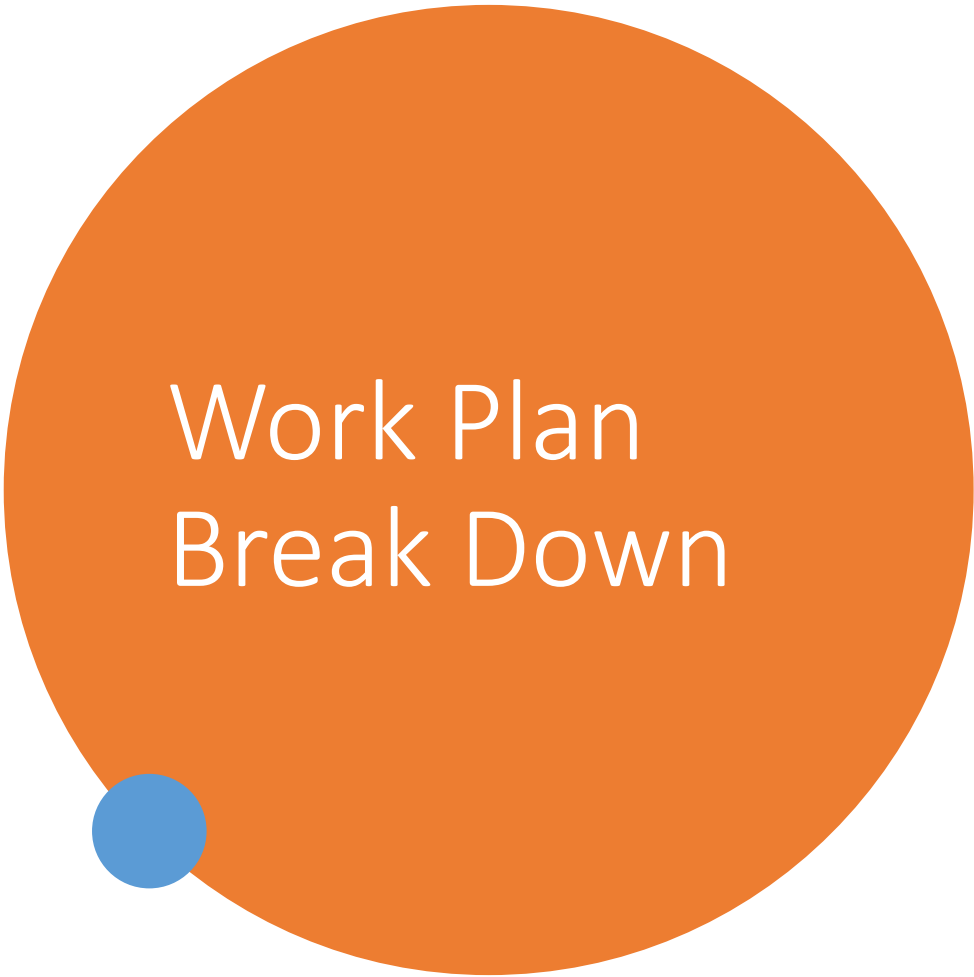
Respect and  
Social Inclusion



Communication  
and Information



Outdoor  
Space and  
Buildings





# Our Work Plan

Priority Area:	Maintenance and Modifications			
Goal:	Home maintenance services, and modification services are available and are affordable to assist seniors with home maintenance, and modification affordability.			
Strategy	Proposed Action(s)	Measurement indicators	Strategic Partner/Stakeholder(s)	Timeline
Priority Area:	Housing Options			
Goal:	There is a range of Age- Friendly affordable, and accessible housing options for Older adults in the region.			

Attachment: Age Friendly \_Work Plan Draft Update (Age Friendly Working Group re: Age

Priority Area:	Health and Assisted Transportation Services			
Goal:	Accessible, safe, and affordable transportation services are available for older adults in the region			
Strategy	Proposed Action(s)	Measurement indicators	Strategic Partner/Stakeholder(s)	Timeline
Priority Area:	Community Transportation Services			
Goal:	Community transport services are available and affordable for seniors.			

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Domain#3: Community Supports and Health Services					5.1.a
Priority Area:	Health Services				Attachment: Age Friendly _Work Plan Draft Update (Age Friendly Working Group re: Age
Goal:	Older adults have access to a wide range of affordable in-home supports and health services that allow them to live independently, physically, and mentally healthy as possible.				
Strategy	Proposed Action(s)	Measurement indicators	Strategic Partner/Stakeholder(s)	Timeline	
Priority Area:	In-home support and Community Service Delivery				
Goal:	Older adults are supported and are able to maintain independence in their homes				
					Packet Pg. 30

Domain#4: Social Participation					5.1.a
Priority Area:	Connection and Engagement				Attachment: Age Friendly _Work Plan Draft Update (Age Friendly Wokring Group re: Age
Goal:	Older adults are socially, and physically active and are connected to their community				
Strategy	Proposed Action(s)	Measurement indicators	Strategic Partner/Stakeholder (s)	Timelin	
Priority Area:	Affordability and Accessibility				
Goal:	Establish Accessible and Universal design of programs and facilities as a framework of best practices				
					Packet Pg. 31

Domain#5: Civic Participation and Employment Opportunities				
5.1.a				
Priority Area:	Volunteer Opportunities			
Goal:	Seniors' skills are valued and respected as volunteers.			
Strategy	Proposed Action(s)	Measurement indicators	Strategic Partner/Stakeholder (s)	Timeline
Priority Area:	Age-Friendly and Inclusive Workplace			
Goal:	Seniors' skills are valued and respected as employees.			
Strategy	Proposed Action(s)	Measurement indicators	Strategic Partner/Stakeholder (s)	Timeline
Priority Area:	Civic Participation			
Goal:	Seniors are well represented in both public and support organizations and seniors have a voice in the decisions that affect their community.			
Strategy	Proposed Action(s)	Measurement	Strategic	Timeline



Priority Area:	Intergenerational Respect and Interactions			
Goal:	Older adults are valued and are treated with respect			
Strategy	Proposed Action(s)	Measurement indicators	Strategic Partner/Stakeholder(s)	Timeline
Priority Area:	Social Inclusion			
Goal:	Older Adults have access to opportunities to participate and contribute to the community			

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Priority Area:	Accessible Information			
Goal:	Information is accessible, reliable and available for seniors, caregivers, and support providers			
Strategy	Proposed Action(s)	Measurement indicators	Strategic Partner/Stakeholder (s)	Timeline
Priority Area:	Widespread Communication			
Goal:	Seniors have access to information in all desirable formats of communication			

**Priority Area:** Accessible Buildings, Public Restrooms and Rest Areas

**Goal:** Outdoor spaces and community buildings are designed and maintained to be Age-Friendly safe and accessible

Strategy	Proposed Action(s)	Measurement indicators	Strategic Partner/Stakeholder (s)	Timelin

**Priority Area:** Sidewalks, Parks and Trails

**Goal:** Parks, Pathways, trails are maintained to be safe, clear and are accessible

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# Implementation Approach

This will highlight the procedure through which the  
Work Plan will be implemented



# Progress & Evaluation Framework

This will highlight the Progress & Evaluation Framework, and progress tracking best practices



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