

Sustainable Cobourg Membership Application Form

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP FEES

- Adult – \$25 Family– \$40 (max. 5 members)
 Student – \$15 Corporate– \$50

Renewals occur at the Annual General Meeting each year. Membership fees may be set from time to time by the Board of Directors and must be ratified by the membership at the AGM.

Please fill out the form below and email the completed version to:
admin@sustainablecobourg.org

Payment can be made via e-transfer to:
admin@sustainablecobourg.org

Date _____

Name _____

Renewing _____ New Member _____

Address _____

City/Town _____

Postal Code _____

Telephone # _____

E-mail _____

Do you wish to receive notices (and reminders) of meetings and events of interest by e-mail?
Yes No

Age Category:

- 0-24 25-34 35-44
45-54 55-64 65+

Please identify your primary interests by placing an 'X' beside the following categories:

- Cycling _____
Bicycling Culture & Safety _____
Waste Reduction/Recycling _____
Climate Change _____
Environmental Protection _____
Green Technology/Renewable Energy _____
Sustainable Development _____
Soil/Air/Water Quality _____
Local Food/Agriculture _____
Sustainable Food Systems _____
Community Gardening _____
Food Preparation/Preserving _____
Other _____

I would like to be active in: (please check the committee or activities of your preference, see over for descriptions)

- Town Hall Committee
 Food Action Committee
 Bicycle Action Committee
 Eco Action Committee
 Sustainable Cobourg Board
 Volunteering for specific projects

I am applying for Membership in Sustainable Cobourg and support the Purpose, Vision, and Mission of Sustainable Cobourg (see over for Purpose, Vision, Mission)

SIGN/TYPE YOUR NAME(S)

How to contact Sustainable Cobourg:

Web Site: www.sustainablecobourg.ca

Email: admin@sustainablecobourg.org

Telephone: 905-269-9355

Mailing address:

703 Carlisle Street, Cobourg ON K9A 5E4

Thank you for your continued support!

Advocating for
sustainable living in
Cobourg, Ontario



*Leave the world better than you found
it, take no more than you need,
try not to harm life or the environment,
make amends if you do.*

(drawn from The Ecology of Commerce
by Paul Hawken)

About Sustainable Cobourg

PURPOSE

The purpose of Sustainable Cobourg is to support and engage in activities that maintain and enhance the environmental, physical, economic, and social health of Cobourg residents by promoting sustainability within the Town of Cobourg and its immediate environs.

“Sustainability” is a state where the demands placed upon the environment by people and commerce can be met without reducing the capacity of the environment to provide for future generations. It can also be expressed in the simple terms of a golden rule for society.

VISION

Our vision is of Cobourg as a sustainable community. One where the values of environmental stewardship and sustainability are reflected in individual, community, business, and government behaviours and are consistently supported through sustainable products, policies, purchases, programs, and actions.

This vision covers all areas of human interaction with the environment including the protection and restoration of natural areas of wildlife, the efficient and sustainable use of natural resources, and the minimization of waste and pollution.

MISSION

Sustainable Cobourg will:

- Actively promote change toward sustainability
- Promote and coordinate research and innovation in Cobourg in the field of sustainability
- Plan and implement sustainable practices and activities throughout Cobourg
- Encourage and facilitate the involvement of all Cobourg residents in applying the principles, methods, and practices of sustainability.

Joining a Committee

Sustainable Cobourg has created a number of different member committees to focus on various areas of concern. These committees research and develop policy, organize activities, advocate around various issues, and coordinate public events. Committees are under the direction of the Board.

The committees formed so far include:

- **The Town Hall Committee** advocates for sustainable planning and development in Cobourg. It has made numerous presentations to the Town of Cobourg Council regarding the recently amended Official Plan. It addresses issues of concern regarding sustainable planning and development with the Town as they arise.
- **The Bicycle Action Committee** serves to improve the bicycling culture in Cobourg by advocating for new bike lanes and routes, improved safety and convenience for cyclists, and bicycle tourism. The Committee developed a Bicycle Action Plan which it presented to the councils of Cobourg and Northumberland County.
- **The Food Action Committee** encourages AWARENESS of where our food comes from, how it's grown, when it was harvested and how it's processed. We promote ACCESSIBILITY to affordable, local food and information about nutrition and local food programs. We provide CONNECTIONS to useful information and advocate for a sustainable food FUTURE.
- **The Eco-Action committee** supports any action intended to have a positive impact on the environment. This includes: promoting the “Three R's” of the waste hierarchy - Reduce, Reuse, and Recycle; providing connections and information on environmentally-friendly or sustainable policies that protect our ecosystems, and; preventing soil, air, and water pollution in our community.

The Benefits of Membership

- member fees support film screenings, guest speakers and other events,
- members are able to join our committees, where they can really make a difference,
- members receive official board documents, like meeting minutes, as well as announcements, via email,
- members receive invitations to exclusive events,
- members get exclusive access to our reference library,
- members get exclusive access to our intranet site,
- members receive our newsletter,
- members receive welcome package and membership card,
- members are allowed to nominate, vote and run for board positions, and,
- members receive Sustainable Cobourg discounts at participating retailers, organizations etc.

Membership

Sustainable Cobourg is a non-profit membership organization, and relies on support from its members. You can become a member by completing the Membership Application Form included in this brochure.

Annual General Meeting

All members are entitled to one vote at the Annual General Meetings.

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