



# Committee Report

## The Blue Mountains

### Accountability and Transparency Committee

**Date:** Thursday, March 19, 2026  
**Time:** 9:30 a.m.  
**Location:** Virtual Meeting, Teams  
**Prepared By:**  
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### Accountability and Transparency Committee Recommendations

Note: The Following are recommendations from the Accountability and Transparency Committee to be considered for adoption by Council:

#### **E. Matters for Discussion**

##### **E.1 Freedom of Information**

THAT Council of the Town of the Blue Mountains receives for information and consideration the following recommendation from the Accountability and Transparency Committee dated March 19, 2026:

THAT the Accountability and Transparency Committee receives for information the verbal update regarding the Freedom of Information provided by Town Clerk, Corrina Giles

AND THAT the Accountability and Transparency Committee requests that a staff report be provided to Council on an annual basis by the end of Q2 that includes Town of the Blue Mountains public Freedom of Information reporting to the Information and Privacy Commissioner **CARRIED**

THAT Council of the Town of the Blue Mountains receives for information and consideration the following recommendation from the Accountability and Transparency Committee dated March 19, 2026:

THAT the Accountability and Transparency Committee requests Council to direct Staff to provide a Staff Report to Council on the feasibility and merits of expanding current Town of the Blue Mountains public Freedom of Information reporting ( via TBM website ) to include annual administrative responses to Freedom of Information requests ( released in full; released in part; denied ) as

well as the number of decisions appealed to the Information and Privacy Commissioner.

AND THAT the Accountability and Transparency Committee recommends that in adopting metrics and outcomes to measure public perceptions of transparency (for example in the Strategic Plan 2026 Resident Trust Index) staff and Council consider the following:

1. achieving 80% completion rate target of Freedom of Information requests within the legislated 30 working day timelines:
2. achieving a reasonable target on the percentage of annual requests appealed to the Information and Privacy Commissioner. **CARRIED**

## **E.2 Final Committee Report including future recommendations**

THAT Council of the Town of the Blue Mountains receives for information and consideration the following recommendation from the Accountability and Transparency Committee dated March 19, 2026:

THAT The Accountability and Transparency Committee receives for information the draft final report presentation on accomplishments of the Accountability and Transparency Committee provided by Chair Porter for discussion. **CARRIED**