



## Durham Active Transportation Committee (DATC) 2024 Workplan

### Scope of Activities

The following areas of Active Transportation (AT) will act as a guideline for the DATC Committee's work throughout the year. Many of the initiatives are ongoing, but those that can be substantially achieved in 2024 have been identified:

#### a. Sustainability

1. Recognize and advance AT activities related to reducing greenhouse gas emissions in the Region of Durham. (ongoing)

#### b. Active Transportation Safety and Education

2. Provide advice on the identification and implementation of programs, which encourage public awareness and education on AT matters, including the achievement Share the Road Cycling Coalition's designation of "Bicycle Friendly Community Status" bronze-level for the Region of Durham and any area municipalities not yet designated in Durham, in collaboration with the Works Department and other stakeholders. (ongoing)
3. Provide input and support for Active & Sustainable School Travel (ASST), also known as Active & Routes to Schools, in some jurisdictions. (ongoing)
4. Promote the use of AT in the Region, especially the important role that it plays in connecting people to transit. (ongoing)
5. Recognize the differing AT needs of commuters and recreational users within the urban and rural areas. (ongoing)

#### c. Infrastructure

6. Continue to advance the Regional Trail Network (RTN) as a key transportation and tourism component of the AT network based on various requests and initiatives in partnership with Planning and Economic Development, Health and Works Department staff and area municipal partners. (ongoing)
7. Support the implementation of multi-modal transportation options in the Region of Durham with a focus on advancing the Region's AT network as outlined in the 2017 Durham Transportation Master Plan and the Regional Cycling Plan 2021. (ongoing)

8. Assist in providing support to the Regional and Area Municipal Active Transportation Plans and support the development of the Region's Durham Meadoway Plan. (ongoing)
9. Support the Region with future active transportation grant funding opportunities as they become available – both the federal and provincial (ongoing)

**d. Communications and Advocacy**

10. Coordinate efforts to advance the shared goals of the various area municipal AT committees. (ongoing)
11. Collaborate with partners on AT initiatives occurring at all government levels, including: Waterfront Regeneration Trust (Great Lakes Waterfront Trail), Smart Mobility Durham, the Active and Sustainable School Travel program, the Durham Meadoway, Durham Region Wayfinding and Signing Strategy, the Greenbelt Route, TransCanada Trail Route across Durham, June Bike Month, and Public Health. (ongoing)
12. Provide advice to Regional Council on legislative matters, programming, and policies from all levels of government related to AT. (ongoing)
13. Identify and advance initiatives to improve communication and collaboration between the Region and the eight area municipalities' Active Transportation Committees. (ongoing)
14. Provide advice on AT matters related to Vision Zero and Complete Streets initiatives, as well as mid-block crossings to improve safety on regional infrastructure. (ongoing)
15. Continued discussions with Metrolinx and Envision Durham (Major Transit Stations Policy Directive) with the goal of increasing AT as a viable option to arrive at GO Rail stations. (ongoing)

**2024 Meeting Dates**

- March 7, 2024
- June 13, 2024
- September 12, 2024
- December 12, 2024