

## Media Release

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### **City launches diversity, equity and inclusion community survey**

The City of Pembroke has launched a survey to better understand the experiences of BIPOC and LGBTQ2S+ members of our community. The Diversity Advisory Committee recommended this action to this City of Pembroke as a next step in creating a more welcoming community. Councillor Christine Reavie, member on the Diversity Advisory Committee, stated “our Diversity Advisory Committee is a dedicated group of individuals who are committed to helping the City move forward. The Committee wants to ensure that anyone in our community who has experienced racism or discrimination has the opportunity to come forward in a safe manner.”

The survey will be open to any past or present resident of Pembroke and area, however, members of the BIPOC and LGBTQ2S+ communities are strongly encouraged to participate. The survey will be open from May 5 – June 7. The survey can be accessed by following this link: <http://bit.ly/PembrokeSurvey>. If anyone would like a paper copy of the survey, they can contact the city at 613-735-6821 ext. 1515 to request one.

On Wednesday, May 26 at 5:00 p.m. a virtual roundtable will be hosted by the City of Pembroke and members of the Diversity Advisory Committee. The roundtable will be an opportunity for members of the BIPOC and LGBTQ2S+ communities and their allies to share their experiences verbally or offer any suggestions or ideas to move forward.

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