

Strengthening Our Roots

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CCP Youth Council

Kitigan Zibi
Anishinabeg

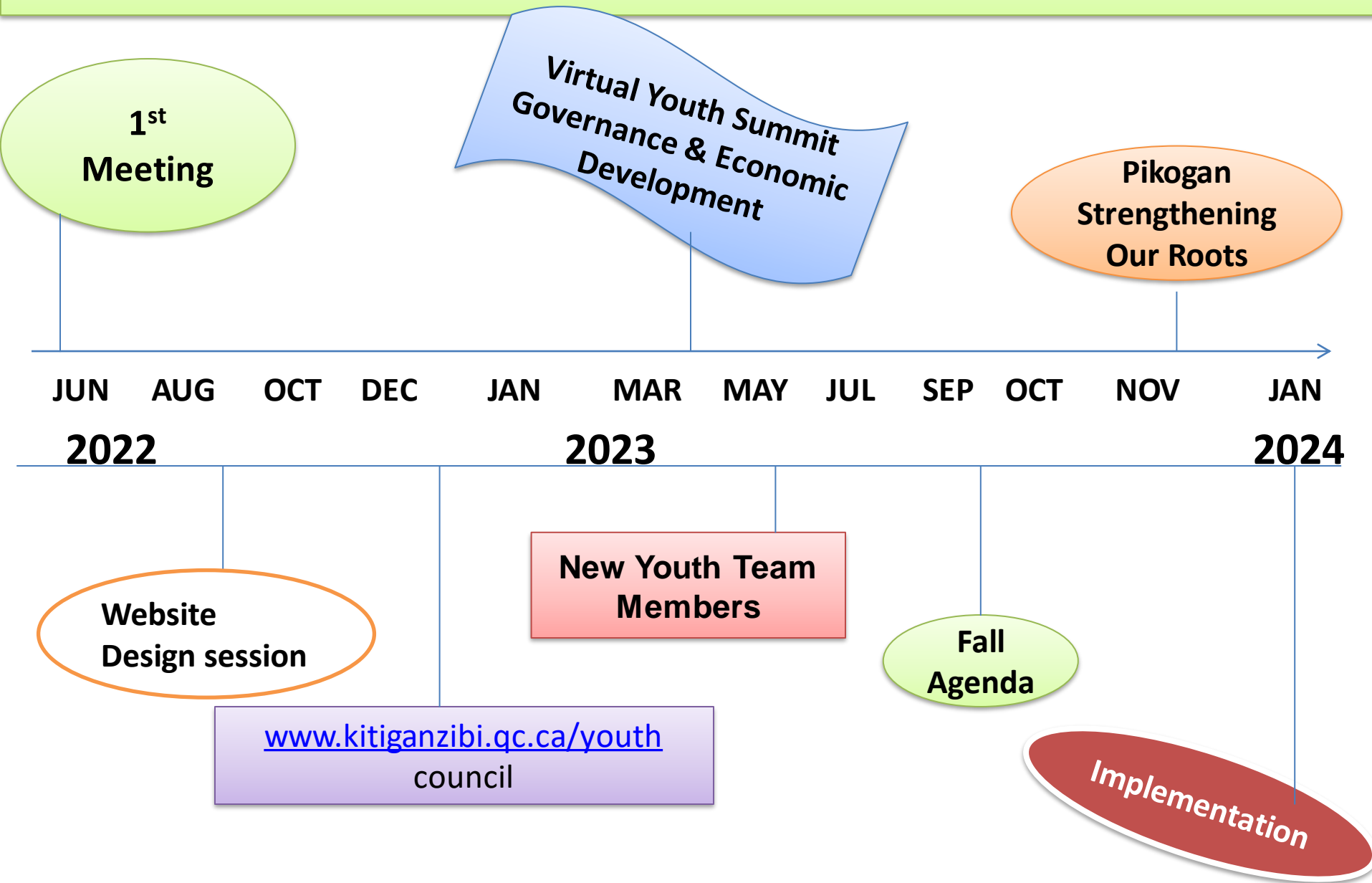


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Timeline of Events



A Vision Statement: We Will Strengthen Our Culture...

YES...and Youth will have a sense of pride of where we come from. YES... and our traditions will be super-practiced and our People will flourish in all aspects. YES...and WE will love ourselves and all People, and we will heal from the intergenerational trauma that affects our community. YES...and we will break cycles and know how to walk in each world, ours, and the western world with a better understanding. YES..., and we will be able to do things throughout our traditional territorial lands which we will use to its full potential and make sure it is respected. YES...and our culture and language will be revitalized!

CCP YOUTH TEAM

TOPICS OF INTEREST

What Youth want to See:

- ❖ Ceremonial bldg.
- ❖ Spiritual practice, protocols
- ❖ Land-based activity

- Food Sovereignty & Security
- Mental health awareness, including substance use in KZA
- Self- reliance
- Economic development
- Citizenship (Get rid of the Indian Act, decolonization)
- Training and work placement programs

Terms of Reference - *Structure*

Purpose - youth perspectives, ideas, needs, recommendations are in CCP

Composition - 13 KZA Youth age range of 16 to 35

Time in Existence Conclusion of the community planning process (Aug 2024).

Meeting Schedule

- Meet 12 sessions per year
- Hourly Payment

ToRs... Youth Council *Responsibility*

- Review plans CCP activity and contribute.
- Provide recommendations.
- Time necessary to engage in discussions and decisions.
- Ensuring inclusive Youth perspectives throughout the community plan
- Engaging and support short-term Youth projects.
- Review the objectives, goals for the Final Long-term Plan.
- **Accountability:** Meeting summaries posted on youth web site page

<https://kitiganzibi.ca/youth-council-ccp/>

Important Information to include in website

- Identify who we are
- Purpose, ToRs
- Contact Information
- Transparency
 - Minutes
 - Expenditures

Organizing the Virtual Conference

- 3 Meetings to develop the questions; requires much thought; setting discussion agenda
- Chair Kyle Brennan – Conference Chair
- *Practice Runs* including summary reporting

Virtual Youth Summit

Pre-reading Information

- ✓ *History of Kitigan Zibi Leadership Overview*
<https://kitiganzibi.ca/governance/history/>
- ✓ *The Secret Struggles of Kitigan Zibi People?*
- ✓ *Algonquin History in the Ottawa River watershed.*
James Morrison, Legal and Historical Research
- ✓ *Kitigan Zibi Anishinabeg (1850-1992). Contemporary Occupation and Use of Territory among the Algonquin of Maniwaki. Jacques Frenette; Ph.D*

Youth Virtual Conference May 3rd, 2023

(6:30pm ET - 8:30pm ET)

- Virtual and In-person consultation and conversation on Traditional Governance and Economy
- Open to Kitigan Zibi Anishinabeg Youth ages 16-35 years

Topics

- Governance of the Future in 2045, Our Future Economy, Re-imagining Our System after the Indian Act Discussion
- Break-out Sessions - 4 subtopics: Citizenship, Representation, Identity, *Decolonizing, Building Nationhood



Time Immemorial → 1853
2023 ← The Future

Key Findings – Governance

- *Representation and Chieftainship*
- *Anishinabemowin*
- *Nationhood*
- *Citizenship*
- *Break from the Indian Act*

How Youth See Their Future Chiefs' Council

- Please contact the CCP Youth Council to access this information



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Key Findings – Economic Development

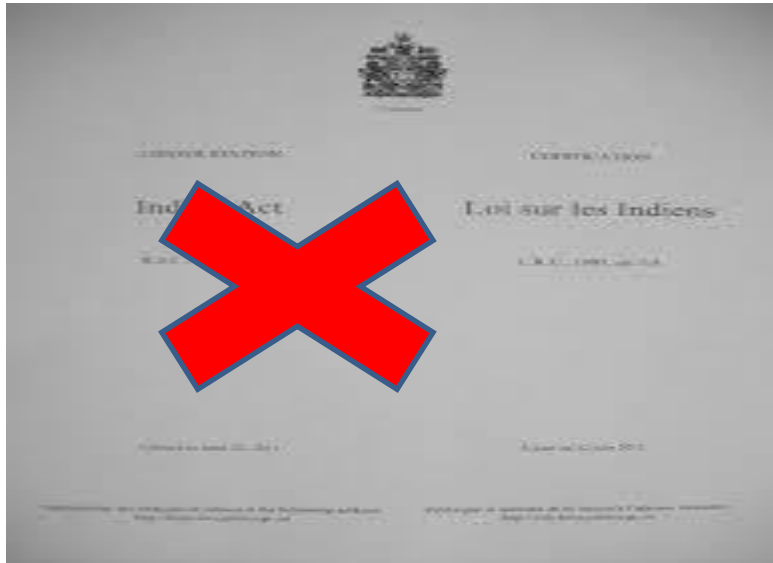
- *Build Assets & Developments - Food Security*
- *Preserve Natural Resources*
- *Build Algonquin Knowledge & Ways of Being*
- *Housing*
- *Data Governance*
- *Fiscal & Financial Framework*

Going Forward

What we are thinking about



- Networking
- Connecting to Nation
- CCP Implementation
- Data-governance
- Possible Youth project (community or nation level)
- Strengthen Algonquin Nation



GOING FORWARD

*Bring the Nations
Together!*

What We Learned



- Requires commitment, time, and can't do everything
- Effective: meeting agenda, minutes, transparency
- Always record financial decisions in minutes

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Closing Exercise

1. Add to this Statement

2. You can only say

Yes ...

And.....

***By 2035, we the Youth will change
the world...***