



City of
Peterborough

TO: Members of the Museum & Archives Advisory Committee

FROM: Susan Neale, Museum Director

MEETING DATE: May 9, 2013

SUBJECT: Report MAAC13-006
Peterborough Museum & Archives: 2012-2016 Accessibility
Plan (Draft)

PURPOSE

A report to recommend approval of Peterborough Museum & Archives: 2012-2016 Accessibility Plan (Draft).

RECOMMENDATION

That the Museum & Archives Advisory Committee approve the recommendation outlined in Report MAAC13-006, dated May 9, 2013, of the Museum Director, as follows:

That the Peterborough Museum & Archives: 2012-2016 Accessibility Plan (Draft), Appendix A, be approved.

BUDGET AND FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no immediate budget or financial implications associated with the recommendation. However, an investment of future resources will be required to implement initiatives to improve accessibility at the Peterborough Museum & Archives.

BACKGROUND

The Peterborough Museum & Archives (PMA) policies and plans are submitted to the Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport as a compulsory component of the annual Community Museum Operating Grant application. Policies and plans are assessed for compliance with federal, provincial and municipal legislation as well as international professional standards with the goal to ensure ethical museum and archives practices.

In 2012, the Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport determined that although the City of Peterborough has a corporate Accessibility Plan, the PMA should have its own dedicated accessibility plan. The Peterborough Museum & Archives: 2012-2016 Accessibility Plan (Draft; Appendix A), modeled after the City's, identifies initiatives that are specific to improving accessibility at the PMA.

SUMMARY

The Peterborough Museum & Archives: 2012-2016 Accessibility Plan (Draft) has been developed to: (1) strengthen its adherence to the Ontario Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport guidelines; and (2) better fulfill its mandate as an inclusive public institution.

Submitted by,

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Attachment: Appendix A – 2012-2016 Accessibility Plan (Draft)