



City of  
**Peterborough**

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**TO:** Members of the Waste Management Committee

**FROM:** Melanie Kawalec, Manager of Waste Management

**MEETING DATE:** September 20, 2010

**SUBJECT:** Report WMC10-005  
Update on Storell Road and Crowley Line Properties

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## **PURPOSE**

A report to seek approval for the demolition of a barn and the sale of surplus property.

## **RECOMMENDATIONS**

That the Waste Management Committee endorse the recommendations as outlined in Report WMC10-005 dated September 20, 2010, of the Manager of Waste Management as follows:

- a) That Staff be directed to demolish the barn at 1918 Storell Road; and
- b) That 49.97 acres at 1276 Crowley Line be deemed surplus and offer for sale at market value.

## **BUDGET AND FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

There are sufficient funds in the capital project demolition budget to hire a barn removal contractor to recycle as much product as possible in the demolition of the barn at 1918 Storell Road.

## **BACKGROUND**

### **1276 Crowley Line**

As part of long term planning for the landfill site, properties adjacent to the landfill site have been acquired over time. The property at 1276 Crowley Line was purchased by the City of Peterborough on January 17, 1994. The entire 101.77-acre farm extends from Bensfort Road to Crowley Line with frontage on both roads. The entire property was acquired, although only the buffer lands along Bensfort Road were required for leachate containment purposed. Refer to Attachment 1 for a map of the area.

Staff proposes that the eastern portion of the property that fronts onto Crowley Line be deemed surplus, while the required buffer land along Bensfort Road be retained. The subject property is 49.97 acres of rolling land, which is being severed from a parcel of 101.77 acres. The property is improved with an old 2-storey brick dwelling with three bedrooms, one bathroom, a living room, kitchen, an attached shed and a two-car garage. The house has been abandoned since May 14, 2010 when the tenant vacated the property. The house is in poor condition. There is an old barn and a quonset building, both have limited value.

The Bensfort Road portion of the required lands are primarily the lesser desirable lands being a mixture of wooded area and open lands, whereas the severable 49.97 acres have the majority of the good agricultural land along with residence, outbuildings and primary site access.

### **1918 Storell Road**

The house and farmland at 1918 Storell Road has been rented however the aging barn has been kept out of the lease agreement due to its deteriorating condition. The barn is not in a state that it can reasonably be repaired or used.

Staff has discussed the state of the barn with the Chief Building Official from the Township of Otonabee-South Monaghan to ensure that there were no issues with taking it down. Refer to Attachment 2, an email message from the Chief Building Official who clarifies that Township's position on the barn.

Staff propose that the old red barn located at the corner of Storell Road and Bensfort Road be demolished due to liability and security concerns. A barn removal contractor will be retained to salvage as much material as possible.

## **SUMMARY**

Staff continues to update the Waste Management Committee on the buildings and land adjacent to the landfill site. Abandoned and deteriorating structures should be removed or sold off where possible to minimized liability and security issues.

Submitted by,

Melanie Kawalec,  
Manager Waste Management

**Attachment 1** - 1276 Crowley Line (McCarrell)

**Attachment 2** - Chief Building Official E-mail comments of 1918 Storell Road

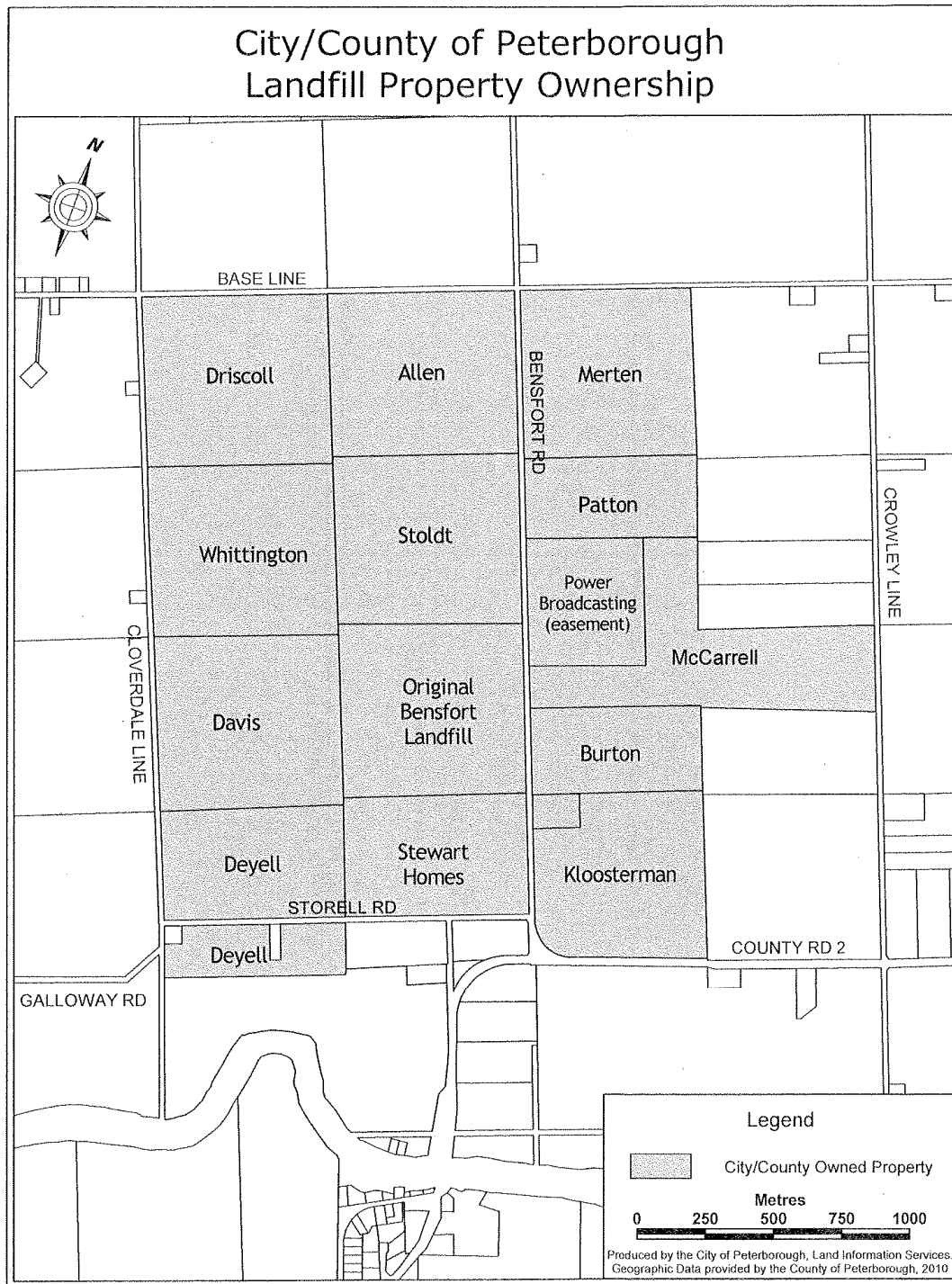
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**Attachment 1 - 1276 Crowley Line (McCarrell)**



**Attachment 2** - Chief Building Official E-mail comments of 1918 Storell Road

**From:** "Barb Waldron" <bwaldron@osmtownship.ca>  
**To:** <csimmons@peterborough.ca>  
**Date:** 3/30/2010 2:47 pm  
**Subject:** 1918 Storell Road

Hi Craig,

Further to our conversation yesterday I have spoke to my CAO, Christine Wright and the Reeve, Dave Nelson. There is nothing on record that Council stated they wanted the barn to stay up and the Reeve was more concerned about houses being removed from the sites as they remove the tax value of the land. I explained the barn is in very bad shape throughout it and the foundation walls are starting to fail as well the liability issue that you have with the tenant. It would take a lot of money to fix up the barn. So from our end (unless you have something in writing from us) we do not have an issue with the barn being demolished.

Barbara Waldron

Chief Building Official

Township of Otonabee South-Monaghan