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**Peterborough**

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**To:** Members of the Museum & Archives Advisory Committee

**From:** Susan Neale, Museum Director

**Meeting Date:** October 14, 2021

**Subject:** Peterborough Museum & Archives: COVID-19 Pandemic Update  
MAAC21-011

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## **Purpose**

A report to recommend to Committee that the update to the Peterborough Museum & Archives response to the COVID-19 pandemic be received for information.

## **Recommendation**

That the Museum & Archives Advisory Committee approve the recommendation outlined in Report MAAC21-011, dated October 14, 2021, of the Museum Director, as follows:

That the update to the Peterborough Museum & Archives response to the COVID-19 pandemic be received for information.

## **Budget and Financial Implications**

Federal and provincial health measures implemented during the COVID-19 pandemic have impacted Peterborough Museum & Archives (PMA) operations. The PMA continues to apply to appropriate COVID-19 pandemic relief programs.

## **Background**

**Peterborough Museum & Archives - Operations During the COVID-19 Pandemic, Fall 2021**

As of September 22, 2021, Ontarians must be fully vaccinated (two doses plus 14 days) and provide proof of vaccination along with photo ID to access certain public settings and facilities. This approach focuses on higher-risk indoor public settings where face coverings cannot always be worn. These requirements do **not** apply to museums or galleries. Aligned with public health measures, indoor masking policies continue to remain in place.

The Peterborough Museum & Archives (PMA) is currently delivering the following front of house operations, in accordance with provincial capacity limits:

1. Temporary exhibition program;
2. Regular open hours for exhibition gallery visitors, weekdays 9 am to 4 pm, weekends and statutory holidays 12 noon to 5 pm;
3. Archival research, by appointment;
4. Children's day camps;
5. Public programs;
6. Fleming College Museum Management and Curatorship Program;
7. Museum gift shop.

For information on all of the PMA events and programs:

[www.peterboroughmuseumandarchives.ca](http://www.peterboroughmuseumandarchives.ca)  
<https://www.facebook.com/PTBOMuseumArchives/>  
<https://twitter.com/OntheHill3>  
<https://www.instagram.com/ptbomuseumarchives/>

### **COVID-19 Relief Programs**

The Peterborough Museum & Archives (PMA) regularly applies for external funding, as opportunities arise that support its Mandate, its 5-Year Plan Accommodation Objectives, and its operational needs. Most recently, a submission has been made to the Reopening Fund for Heritage Organizations, Department of Canadian Heritage. This assistance is intended to help heritage organizations that have felt the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic as they reopen and safely welcome back visitors.

### **Summary**

The Peterborough Museum & Archives continues to deliver on operations permitted within, and in compliance with, the federal and provincial health guidelines. The COVID-19 funding relief programs remain critical to the continued delivery of these operations and services.

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