

To: Members of the Accessibility Advisory Committee

From: Trish Reed, Accessibility and Communication Specialist

Meeting Date: March 1, 2017

Subject: Report AAC17-019

**Pearson Daycare Relocation** 

## **Purpose**

A report to introduce a presentation by the Manager of Children's Services on the relocation of Pearson Daycare.

## Recommendations

That the Accessibility Advisory Committee (AAC) approve the recommendations outlined in Report AAC17-019 dated March 1, 2017, of the Accessibility and Communication Specialist as follows:

- a) That the presentation by the Manager of Children's Services on the relocation of Pearson Daycare be received for information;
- b) That the AAC provide feedback on the proposed playgrounds at the new location of Pearson Daycare.

## **Budget and Financial Implications**

There are no budgetary or financial implications associated with the recommendation.

## **Background**

The Pearson Daycare (Pearson), previously located at 541 Water Street, has relocated to 201 McDonnel Street. A portion of the Peterborough Alternative Continuing Education building, formerly Peterborough Collegiate Vocational School, has been renovated to accommodate the needs of Pearson.

This relocation has provided Pearson with additional space, as well as a more accessible facility. As the project lead, Kawartha Pineridge District School Board has ensured all accessibility requirements for the space have been met including the installation of a ramp at the main entrance and a fully accessible adult washroom for staff and parents.

The facility will have two playgrounds, a toddler playground and a preschool playground. Construction is planned for the spring of 2017. Plans for the playgrounds include; playhouses, hill slides, covered classrooms, natural elements, music features and chalkboard walls.

The current intention is for these playgrounds to also serve as community playgrounds outside of Pearson's operating hours. Feedback provided by the AAC will ensure these playgrounds are designed to provide play opportunities and experiences for all children and caregivers.

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