



City of  
**Peterborough**

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**TO:** Members of Arenas, Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee

**FROM:** Sue Warrington, Arena Division Manager

**MEETING DATE:** February 26, 2013

**SUBJECT:** Report APRAC13-006  
Canteen at Northcrest Arena

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## **PURPOSE**

A report to inform the Arena, Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee on the closure of the canteen at Northcrest Arena.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

That the Arenas, Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee (APRAC) approve the recommendation outlined in Report APRAC13-006, dated February 26, 2013, of the Arena Division Manager, as follows:

That the report be received for information.

## **BUDGET AND FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

There is no budget or financial implication resulting from this report.

## BACKGROUND

The concession at the Northcrest Arena was closed in mid-January 2013. This closure was planned by division staff and approved by the Director of Community Services in early December 2012. Staff decided to close this concession because of low concession sales and increasing equipment costs. The fryers and hood, for example, needed major repairs and upkeep in order to pass inspections by both the Fire Department (annual) and the City's service contractor (semi-annually). Vending machines will remain on site.

There were three part-time non-union concession attendants that worked at this location. These staff averaged 4 to 10 hours per week. These hours were shared fairly among the staff based upon their availability. Once this concession location was closed, staff was offered hours at other arena concession locations.

Staff estimates that by 2015 Northcrest Arena will have reached its maximum life span. Due to the age and overall condition of the arena, investment in costly repairs and/or renovations is not viable. An Arena Needs Assessment project has been launched to identify future arena participation trends and demands in the City of Peterborough and surrounding areas. This will assist in the schedule of development and steps to implement the arena provision strategy, since the Northcrest Arena will be decommissioned in the very near future.

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