

To: Members of the Arts Culture and Heritage Advisory Committee

From: Erik Hanson, Heritage Resources Coordinator

Meeting Date: January 12, 2017

Subject: Report ACHAC17-004

**Heritage Preservation Office Report** 

## **Purpose**

A report to advise the Arts Culture and Heritage Advisory Committee (ACHAC) on the monthly activities of the Heritage Preservation Office (HPO) for November and December, 2016.

### Recommendation

That the ACHAC approve the recommendation outlined in Report ACHAC17-004, dated January 12, 2017 of the Heritage Resources Coordinator, as follows:

That the report with respect to the activities of the Heritage Preservation Office for November and December, 2016 be received for information.

# **Budget and Financial Implications**

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

# **Background**

#### **Heritage Conservation District**

The alteration permit toolkit was launched in November 2016. Several property owners in the District are using it to pursue approvals for construction activities.

#### **Bethune Street Flood Diversion Project**

The draft plan for the Bethune Street streetscape redevelopment was approved by Council. The project is now in the detailed design phase for the utility services component. Construction is due to start in 2018. There are several areas of the right-of-way that have been identified for further archaeological investigation.

### **Doors Open Peterborough**

Planning is underway for Doors Open Peterborough 2017. The theme will focus on the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Confederation by bringing 1867 Peterborough to life through a series of sites and activities. Confirmed participating sites include the Art Gallery of Peterborough, the Peterborough Museum and Archives, and the Canadian Canoe Museum.

#### **Heritage Property Tax Relief Program**

The HPO completed its annual inspection cycle of the 81 properties currently enrolled in the Heritage Property Tax Relief Program. Updated maintenance plans, along with supplementary resource information, were mailed to all property owners in early December.

#### **Places of Faith Workshop**

Planning continues with places of faith workshop. Consideration is being given pushing the workshop back from February 25 to March 11, 2017.

#### **Peterborough Museum and Archives Update**

The work on the re-cladding of the exterior of the Peterborough Museum and Archives is nearly complete. This work has included upgrading of insulation to the walls, re-cladding of the exterior walls, upgraded surveillance cameras, and new windows.

#### **AMANDA Property Database Upgrade**

The City's property database is undergoing a major upgrade which will include a highly refined interface with the City's GIS system. It will also be integrated with the City's tax system and will include the comprehensive section on heritage properties. A presentation on the features of the new database will be made to the committee when the system is rolled out in the spring.

#### **Cultural Mapping**

Andrew Nichols, a former staff member of the Arts, Culture and Heritage Division, is now working in the City's Geomatics and Mapping Division. He has updated many of the division's cultural maps, having cleaned up data and integrated a number of different maps into one system. A presentation on the mapping capabilities for heritage will be arranged for the committee in the spring if it wishes.

#### Lily Lake Secondary Plan

Revisions have been made to the western subdivision application of the Lily Lake Secondary Plan.

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