To:	Members of the Arts Culture & Heritage Advisory Committee
From:	Becky Rogers, Manager, Arts, Culture & Heritage Division
Meeting Date:	March 9, 2017
Subject:	Report ACHAC17-013 County of Peterborough Jail Presentation

Purpose

A report to receive a presentation on the County of Peterborough Jail.

Recommendation

That the Arts Culture & Heritage Advisory Committee (ACHAC) approve the recommendation outlined in Report ACHAC17-013 dated March 9, 2017 of the Manager, Arts, Culture & Heritage Division as follows:

That an update by Sheridan Graham from the County of Peterborough on the County Jail Park Project be received

Budget and Financial Implications

There are no budget or financial implications with the adoption of this report.

Background

The County of Peterborough owns and operates the buildings at 470 Water Street, known as the Peterborough County Courthouse and Jail. In 2015 the County deemed the jail property derelict, unsafe and surplus; recommended that the demolition of the jail buildings and wall; and that the facility should not be designated as an Ontario Heritage Designated Facility.

The County worked with LETT Architects to develop a creative proposal for the partial demolition of the former Jail and Courtyard walls and the creation of a unique public park. The proposed Jail Park provides a scenic lookout, opportunities to interpret the history of the Jail, and serve as a unique performance/ programmable space.

In January 2016 due to the extreme sensitivity of the County Jail site County staff and Lett Architects enlisted the expertise of Shawn Sutcliffe Exc. Ltd. to complete the required work.

Sheridan Graham, Director of Corporate Projects and Services for the County of Peterborough will make a presentation on the project.

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