

2012 Annual Report Card

Celebrating Our Accomplishments



The Plan defines Sustainability as...

"Development that meets the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their needs."

-Gro Harlem Brundtland-1987 UN World Commission on Environment & Development

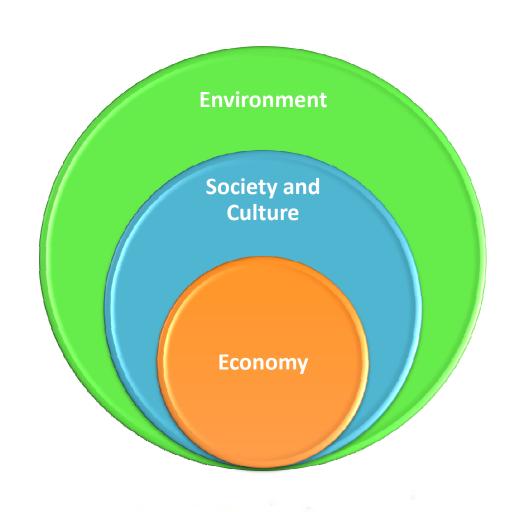
Sustainable Peterborough Plan



Sustainability seeks to find a balance between environmental, socio-cultural, and economic pillars.

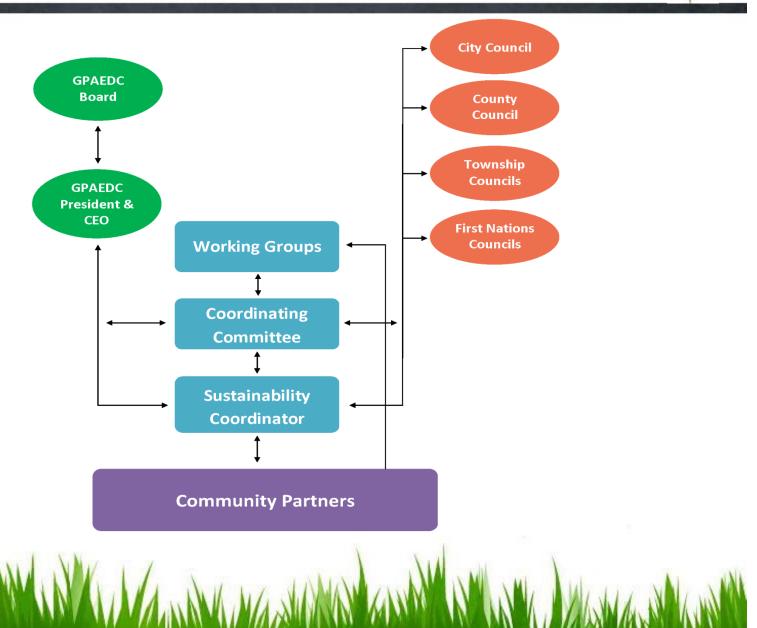
Sustainable Peterborough was developed through the voice of thousands, creating our long term vision of sustainability.

Sustainable Peterborough Plan adopted spring of 2012



Implementation Structure





2012 Coordinating Committee



Agriculture & Local Food Rep:Linda Slavin, Vice-Chair, Member at Large

Climate Change Rep: Stephen Hill, Professor, Trent University

Cultural Assets Rep: Ken Doherty, Director Community Services, City of Peterborough

Economic Development Rep: John Knight, Representative of the GPA EDC Board

Energy Rep: Sheridan Graham, Director, County of Peterborough

Healthy Communities Rep: Peterborough County-City Health Unit Board Member

Land Use Planning Rep: Jeannette Thompson, Planner, Selwyn Township

Natural Assets Rep: Mike Hendren, Executive Director, Kawartha Heritage Conservancy

Transportation Rep: Axel Tscherniak, Executive Director, Peterborough GreenUP

Waste Rep: Fred Irwin, Transition Town Peterborough

Water Rep: Tom Cowie, Water Operations, Hiawatha First Nation

Other Rep: Dave Clifford, CAO, Douro-Dummer Township

Other Rep: Lois O'Neill, Clerk, Galway-Cavendish & Harvey Township

Other Rep: Trish O'Connor, Special Projects Leader, Fleming College

Other Rep: Melanie Kawalec, Sustainability Manager, City of Peterborough

Sustainability Coordinator: Brigid Ayotte, Business Cultivator, GPA EDC

Active Community Working Groups



- Agriculture and Local Food Working Group
 Chairperson Dawn Berry Merriam, PSPC or Pat Learmonth, Farms at Work
- Climate Change Working Group
 Chairperson Dr. Stephen Hill, Trent University Professor
- Energy Working Group
 Chairperson Sheridan Graham, County of Peterborough
- Kawarthas Naturally Connected Steering Committee
 Chairperson Mike Hendren, Executive Director Kawartha Heritage Conservancy
- Sustainable Business Initiative Working Group
 Chairperson Rob Arkell, Cambium Environmental or
 Brigid Ayotte, Small Business Advisor with GPA EDC



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Agriculture and Local Food





Priority Actions

- Undertake a Community Food System assessment
- Identify and protect farmland & increase capacity to supply local food

- Food & Farming Summit October 2012
- 20 Community gardens in the City of Peterborough
- Purple Onion Festival
- Food Business Expansion & Retention Report
- Sustainable Agriculture & Food Systems degree program
- 6 Hiawatha community gardens
- Third successful Lakefield Farmer's Market season

Climate Change





Priority Action

Become active members in the Partners for Climate Protection Program to establish baseline GHG emissions and set a reduction target

Key Accomplishment

 Commencing Climate Change Environmental Scan for the Greater Peterborough Area.



Cultural Assets





Priority Action

All GPA municipalities should consider developing a Municipal Cultural Plan

Key Accomplishment

 The City of Peterborough adopted their Municipal Cultural Plan on April 23, 2012



Economic Development & Employment





Priority Action

Promote the region's sustainability initiatives and economic potential

- Launch of Green Business Peterborough September 2012
- Green Expo October 20, 2012 at Lansdowne Place Mall.
- Completion of Feasibility Analysis and the Business Plan for the Kawartha Loon.



Energy





Priority Actions

- Community energy planning
- Energy efficiency standards

- Energy Planning Workshop May 2012
- Energy efficiency award Lakefield Community Centre
- Home Assistance Program
- Home Weatherization Program
- Small Business Lighting Direct Install Program
- Solar panel installations in Douro and Selwyn Township
- North Kawartha replaced 50 street lights with LED energy efficient lights
- Renewable Energy Initiative over \$750K in forgivable loans
- 131 energy audits on Urban Native Housing

Healthy Communities





Priority Action

Increase the availability of affordable housing

- Social Housing Repair and Rehabilitation Program
- Peterborough Renovates
- Fleming College "Leading in Sustainability" and seeking institutional sustainability rating
- Fleming programs, Sustainable Agriculture, Sustainable Building Design and Construction and Sustainable Building Renovations

Land Use Planning





Priority Action

Establish multi-use neighbourhood design guidelines

- 11 LEED registered building in Peterborough and area.
- The Endeavour Centre is constructing a 2-story home located at 136 ½ James Street in Peterborough which will be built to the "ultimate living building standards"!



Natural Assets





Priority Actions

- Integrate 'Kawarthas... Naturally Connected' Natural Heritage System into local Official Plans
- Identify and access incentives for land stewardship

- Completion of Phase 1 of the Kawarthas Naturally Connected preferred natural heritage system mapping
- Hiawatha First Nation and Ducks unlimited upgraded marsh and beaver dam naturalized area
- Selwyn Township shoreline stabilization and naturalization project.
- Selwyn Township and ORCA planted 1500 trees as part of 2012 gravel pit rehabilitation program.

Transportation





Priority Actions

- Complete the proposed shortterm cycling network
- Assess solutions to rural mobility challenges

- Transportations Plans for both City and County
- Bicycle Friendly Community Award
- Peterborough Marina awarded Gold 5-Anchor status
- The section of trail from Ackison Rd. to Highway 7 part of Trans Canada Trail
- Workplace Shifting Gears Program avoided 50,000 kg greenhouse gas emissions

Waste





Priority Actions

- Identify and promote reuse opportunities
- Establish a curbside organic waste collection program

- Kawartha Turtle Trauma Centre collected over 50,000 batteries earning \$11,700 from Stewardship Ontario
- Township of Douro-Dummer reduced waste by 10%
- Galway Cavendish & Harvey reduced waste volume by 54%
- Township of Selwyn diverted 850 tonnes of material from landfill

Water





Priority Actions

- Establish conservation and efficiency programs
- Identify funding to enable identification of shoreline/wetland areas in need of restoration
- Integrated watershed management plan for the GPA

- Level 1 Low Water Conditions for Otonabee Region
- Township of Asphodel-Norwood installed water meters
- City of Peterborough installing water meters
- City of Peterborough Low-flow Toilet Replacement Program provided over \$45,000 in rebates

2013 Opportunities



- LED Street Light Change out planned
- Waste Management Master Plans
- **Biogas Projects**
- **Electric Vehicles**
- **Rural Tree Planting Opportunities**
- Plans to revitalize their Farmer's Market
- Norwood Landfill to convert into a Transfer Station
- Investigating Hybrid or Electric Vehicle
- Cultural Mapping & Master Trails Plans in Selwyn Township



Community Partnership



- 32 Champions
- 11 Members
- 5 Leaders



And growing...



Questions?





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