

Committee of the Whole Report

Report Number:	ED2024-006
Meeting Date:	March 5, 2024
Title:	Municipal Heritage Committee 2024 Work Plan
Description:	Review of 2023 Municipal Heritage Committee Accomplishments and Adoption of 2024 Work Plan
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Recommendations:

That Report ED2024-006, **Municipal Heritage Committee 2024 Work Plan**, be received;

That the 2024 Municipal Heritage Committee Work Plan as outlined in Appendix B be approved; and

That this recommendation be brought forward to Council for consideration at the next Regular Council Meeting.

Department Head:	
Financial/Legal/HR/Other: _	

Chief Administrative Officer: _____

Background:

The Kawartha Lakes Municipal Heritage Committee is a Committee of Council authorized under the Ontario Heritage Act to advise and assist Council on issues relating to properties designated under Parts IV and V of the Act and other heritage related matters. The Committee also undertakes outreach and educational activities in the community.

According to the Committee's Terms of Reference, the Municipal Heritage Committee is required to report on activities completed from their Work Plan during each calendar year and to submit a Work Plan for the subsequent year.

At its meeting of January 11, 2024, the Municipal Heritage Committee reviewed its accomplishments for 2023 and discussed a draft 2024 work plan identifying continuing and new goals for the committee. The Committee passed the following motion:

KLMHC2024-004 Moved By S. McCormack Seconded By A. Adare

That Report KLMHC2024-002, 2023 Review and 2024 Work Plan, be received; and

That the Committee's 2024 work plan be forwarded to Council for approval.

Carried

This report addresses the Committee's 2023 Work Plan reporting and the 2024 Work Plan priorities.

Rationale:

In 2023, the Municipal Heritage Committee undertook a number of initiatives including its statutory requirements under the Ontario Heritage Act and other activities that the committee generally undertakes. A summary of the 2023 work plan items and the Committee's accomplishments are below:

- 1. Process applications for designation and make recommendation to Council.
- 2. Recommend properties for listing to Council.

- 3. Review heritage permit applications for individually designated properties.
- 4. Review heritage policy and provide recommendations to Council.
- 5. Coordinate Doors Open event.
- 6. Plan and coordinate the 2023 Osprey Heritage Awards.
- 7. Participate in development of the Old Mill Heritage Conservation District.
- 8. Comment on relevant planning and development applications.
- 9. Investigate the potential of designating the Scugog River as a cultural heritage landscape.
- 10. Participate in the ongoing Heritage Inventory project.
- 11. Undertake condition assessments of individually designated properties.
- 12. Assist with the implementation of Bill 23.

A summary of the Committee's achievements with regard to these goals is attached as Appendix A.

A draft 2024 Municipal Heritage Committee Work Plan, attached as Appendix B, includes activities that are the ongoing core business of the Municipal Heritage Committee and are mandated by the Ontario Heritage Act, including advising Council regarding the designation and listing of properties and making recommendations regarding alterations to heritage properties and Planning Act applications. The work plan also includes activities that address educational and community outreach and special projects, such as participation in the Archaeological Master Plan and the ongoing Heritage Inventory.

Other Alternatives Considered:

There are no recommended alternatives.

Alignment to Strategic Priorities

The development of an effective Municipal Heritage Committee contributes to An Exceptional Quality of Life and supporting and promoting cultural and heritage assets by providing support and recommendations for heritage conservation within the municipality. The tasks outlined on the 2024 work plan are intended to strengthen and grow the heritage sector in Kawartha Lakes.

Financial/Operation Impacts:

There are no financial considerations associated with this recommendation. All Committee activities for 2024 fall within the available Heritage Planning budget for 2024.

Consultations:

Municipal Heritage Committee

Attachments:

Appendix A – Municipal Heritage Committee 2023 Work Plan Review



Appendix B – Draft 2024 Municipal Heritage Committee Work Plan



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