



**Municipal Heritage Committee**

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Heritage resources add value, quality and diversity to our communities and need to be protected for the future. As our communities mature, our past shall not be lost to insensitive renovation or demolition, but rather retained as assets adding unique contributions to our future. The Town of Gravenhurst values its rich history, architecturally significant structures and cultural heritage values.

*“Our heritage is more than a record of the past. It is the common ground that sustains our communities in a world of change, and anchors our sense of who we are. It is a source of inspiration and confidence about what we can achieve.”*

*Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport*

# 2020 MHC WORKPLAN

ROLE	OBJECTIVES(S)	GOAL	
<b>UNDERTAKING PROMOTIONAL PROGRAMS</b>	<p>Plaquing</p>	<p>Plaque designated heritage properties, potentially:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Gravenhurst Arch</li> <li>- Vincent/Fry Residence</li> </ul> <p>Re-plaque Wheelhouses</p>	
	<p>Doors Open</p> <p>Ongoing promotion and website updates</p> <p>Built Heritage Awards</p> <p>Community Activities</p> <p>Interpretative Signs</p> <p>Recognize People Contributing to Heritage</p> <p>Heritage Walking Tour</p>	<p>Explore options and partnership opportunities for DOORS OPEN 2021.</p> <p>Ongoing promotion in the form of updates to brochures, Heritage Designation Guide, rack cards, the Town's website, newspaper articles and working with partner organizations.</p> <p>Review and update criteria for awards. Consideration of Buildings for 2020 Awards in Winter/Spring</p> <p>Conduct a historic walking tour or other event as part of the Gravenhurst Winter Carnival with MHC promotional material to be available. Consider options for 2021; Consider link in to Heritage Week.</p> <p>Work with Gravenhurst Archives and Marketing Division to develop heritage signage.</p> <p>Bring forward recommendations to appropriately recognize people who contribute to heritage preservation and promotion in the community.</p> <p>Explore options regarding the expansion of the Heritage Walking Tour</p>	
	<p>Committee Education</p>	<p>Send at least one delegate to Ontario Heritage Conference. Participate in available Training Opportunities. Stay apprised of Provincial legislation.</p>	
	<b>MUNICIPAL PLANNING</b>	<p>Zoning By-law Amendment Review</p>	<p>Review and comment on proposed changes to Comprehensive Zoning By-law 10-04. Review and comment on Official Plan policies. Comment on site specific planning applications, when appropriate.</p>

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<b>IDENTIFYING AND EVALUATING HERITAGE RESOURCES</b>	<p>Continue to update Heritage Inventory</p> <p>Digital photo database of buildings with heritage value</p> <p>Mapping of heritage properties</p> <p>Municipal Register</p> <p>Advise Council</p>	<p>300+ buildings in inventory. More are added as they are discovered.</p> <p>Work on photo database is ongoing. Work with Marketing Division on maintaining database.</p> <p>Continue to update available mapping Collect GPS coordinates through Heritage inventory. Work with Planning Technician to map this data.</p> <p>Update as needed.</p> <p>Provide advice to Council regarding potential alterations or demolition on designated properties and potential demolition on listed properties.</p>
<b>SURVEY, INVENTORY &amp; RESEARCH</b>	<p>Properties of Interest</p> <p>Designation of Properties</p> <p>Swedetown</p> <p>Clerk’s Office</p> <p>AP Cockburn</p> <p>Calydor/Camp 20</p> <p>Review of Culturally Significant Schools and Churches</p>	<p>Properties of Interest Working Group will continue to review and evaluate properties.</p> <p>Designate Listed Properties</p> <p>Evaluate options for celebrating and recognizing Swedetown neighbourhood.</p> <p>Working Group to continue investigating options regarding the restoration and repositioning of Clerk’s Office and investigate funding and grant opportunities.</p> <p>Establish a Working Group to investigate a potential monument or memorial to AP Cockburn.</p> <p>Establish a Working Group to begin preliminary research</p> <p>Research and evaluate ways of protecting and promoting the preservation of schools and churches that have cultural heritage value.</p>

“**Conserving cultural heritage** is closely linked to quality of life, sense of place and identification with the past, and contact and cooperation across cultures and age groups.

**Engagement in cultural heritage** can foster a sense of belonging to a wider community, increasing social cohesion and a sense of inclusion. Access to **cultural heritage** also broadens opportunities for education and lifelong learning.” Government of Ontario