

Draft SCEAC Resolution to Council re Climate Change Adaptation Plan
for Review at SCEAC Dec 1, 2021 Meeting

WHEREAS in December 2019, Cobourg Council officially declared a Climate Emergency, conveying its recognition that we are facing an unprecedented crisis; and

WHEREAS serious consequences of climate change are already manifesting themselves, and will become more serious in the future; and

WHEREAS it is far more economical to plan ahead and be prepared for the damaging effects of climate change than to react to climate change events as they happen; and

WHEREAS other communities, such as the Region of Durham, have prepared climate change adaptation plans from which Cobourg can learn¹; and

WHEREAS many of the likely dangers and problems arising from climate change are regional in nature and can be better planned for at a regional level than at the level of the Town of Cobourg;

NOW THEREFORE the SCEAC recommends that Cobourg encourage the County of Northumberland to develop a climate change adaptation plan, and that Cobourg actively cooperate with the County in the development of the plan.

¹ https://www.durham.ca/en/living-here/resources/Documents/EnvironmentalStability/DCCAP_Print.pdf