

December 5, 2021

Mayor John Henderson,

Deputy Mayor Suzanne Seguin

Councilors: Nicole Beatty, Aron Burchat, Emily Chorley, Adam Bureau, Brian Darling

The Architectural Conservancy of Ontario requests that the Cobourg Council invite MPP David Piccini, representative of Northumberland and Minister of the Environment to speak to the citizens of Cobourg regarding the disposition of Brookside in Cobourg. In an effort to be completely transparent about the process, the citizens should be apprised of the disposition process and also the status of that process. It would also be pertinent that we know the results of the Imagine Brookside Public Engagement Survey that was on the Ontario Government Website.

Many questions have arisen subsequent to the excellent presentation given by Rob Mikel to the Cobourg Historical Society. A recurring theme is whether the land can be severed.

The Architectural Conservancy of Ontario would also like to know how the Provincial Standards and Guidelines under the Ontario Heritage Act Part III will be applied to the redevelopment of Brookside should the government continue to own and manage the property.

Diane Chin

Chair of ACO Ontario