

1ST REPORT OF THE

ENVIRONMENTAL AND ECOLOGICAL PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Meeting held on December 19, 2013, commencing at 5:02 P.M.

PRESENT: G. Sass (Acting Chair), J. Bird, F. Cirino, K. Delaney, E. Emery, M. Hirst, S. Levin, I. MacKenzie, B. Maddeford, C. Smart, N. St. Amour and R. Trudeau and H. Lysynski (Secretary).

ALSO PRESENT: G. Barrett, C. Creighton, A. Macpherson and L. McDougall.

REGRETS: N. Bergman, L. Nattagh, S. Sanford, D. Sheppard and N. Zitani.

I YOUR COMMITTEE REPORTS:

9th Report of
the TFAC

1. (2) That the Environmental and Ecological Planning Advisory Committee (EEPAC) reviewed and received the 9th Report of the Trees and Forests Advisory Committee from its meeting held on November 27, 2013. The EEPAC requested inclusion on the questionnaire relating to woodland management consultation.

Surplus Lands -
47 and 49
Agincourt
Gardens

2. (4) That the Environmental and Ecological Planning Advisory Committee (EEPAC) reviewed and received a report dated December 10, 2013, from the Managing Director, Corporate Services and City Treasurer, Chief Financial Officer, with respect to the declaration and disposition of City-owned lands adjacent to 47 and 49 Agincourt Gardens. The EEPAC requested the following:

- a) the Manager, Licensing and Municipal Law Enforcement, provide the EEPAC with an update on the Return To Nature Program in early 2014; and,
- b) its support for the Upper Thames River Conservation Authority comments and the staff comments in the "Conclusion" section of the above-noted report be forwarded to staff for information;

it being noted that the Civic Administration provided the EEPAC with an explanation of the process.

Official Plan
Schedule B-1 -
Patches

3. (5) That the Environmental and Ecological Planning Advisory Committee (EEPAC) heard a verbal presentation from A. Macpherson, Manager, Parks Planning and Design, with respect to an update on patches identified in Official Plan Schedule B-1. The EEPAC requested that the actions taken at the August 27, 2013 Municipal Council meeting, relating to this matter, be implemented; it being noted that the resolutions reads as follows:

"g) the Civic Administration BE DIRECTED to determine if there are similar instances where "Unevaluated Vegetation Patches" on Schedule "B-1" of the Official Plan are not shown as "Open Space" or "Environmental Review" on Schedule "A" of the Official Plan, and to initiate an Official Plan Amendment to show these lands as "Open Space" or "Environmental Review" on Schedule "A" of the Official Plan, noting that this would then make these lands subject to the City's Tree Conservation By-law (By-Law C.P.-1466-249);"; and,

"4A. The Civic Administration BE DIRECTED to undertake a review, in the most expedient manner, of "Unevaluated Vegetation Patches" shown on Schedule "B-1" of the Official Plan that are not shown as "Open Space" or "Environmental Review" on Schedule "A" of the Official Plan and to initiate an Official Plan Amendment to designate the lands as Open Space, where appropriate, as soon as possible, on Schedule "A" of the Official Plan, noting that this would make these lands subject to the City's Tree Conservation By-law (By-law C.P.-1466-249); it being noted that the municipality will hire an ecologist to assist with the review."

Natural Heritage
Inventory and
Evaluation
Study – Medway
Valley Heritage
Forest ESA,
Phase One

4. (6) That the Environmental and Ecological Planning Advisory Committee (EEPAC) postponed consideration of the Natural Heritage Inventory and Evaluation Study for the Medway Valley Heritage Forest Environmentally Significant Area, Phase One, Conservation Master Plan, to its next meeting; it being noted that the Master Plan has not been completed at this time.

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- Medway Valley Heritage Forest ESA Conservation Master Plan Process
5. (7) That the Environmental and Ecological Planning Advisory Committee (EEPAC) reviewed and received the Medway Valley Heritage Forest Environmentally Significant Area Conservation Master Plan process for 2013 and 2014. The EEPAC appointed N. Zitani as its representative and S. Levin as its alternate to the Committee associated with this project.
- Medway Valley Heritage Forest ESA, Phase One – Community Information Meeting
6. (8) That the Environmental and Ecological Planning Advisory Committee (EEPAC) reviewed and received a communication from L. McDougall, Ecologist Planner, with respect to the community information meeting to be held on January 27, 2014, relating to the Medway Valley Heritage Forest Environmentally Significant Area, Conservation Master Plan. The EEPAC encouraged its Members to attend the meeting.
- ESA Management Committee Minutes
7. (9) That the Environmental and Ecological Planning Advisory Committee (EEPAC) reviewed and received the ESA Management Committee Minutes from its meeting held on December 4, 2013. The EEPAC asked that the Manager, Stormwater, provide the EEPAC with an update on the agreements and the purpose of the Sifton Bog Stormwater Management Pond.
- Draft Signage for ESA Access Points/ Entrances
8. (10) That the Environmental and Ecological Planning Advisory Committee (EEPAC) reviewed and received the attached draft signage for access points and entrances at Environmentally Significant Areas, from L. McDougall, Ecologist Planner. The EEPAC asked its Member to provide comments directly to Ms. McDougall.
- Comfort Subdivision - 2054 Adelaide Street North
9. (11) That the Environmental and Ecological Planning Advisory Committee (EEPAC) reviewed and received a communication dated November 29, 2013 from N. Pasato, Senior Planner, Development Services, with respect to the Comfort Subdivision, located at 2054 Adelaide Street North. The EEPAC established a Working Group consisting of S. Levin (Lead), J. Bird and R. Trudeau, to review and to report back at the next meeting.
- Subject Land Status Report – 946 Longworth Road
10. (12) That the Environmental and Ecological Planning Advisory Committee (EEPAC) reviewed and received a communication dated December 3, 2013 from N. Pasato, Senior Planner, Development Services, with respect to the Subject Land Status Report, relating to the property located at 946 Longworth Road. The EEPAC established a Working Group consisting of B. Maddeford (Lead), I. MacKenzie and C. Smart, for review and to report back at the next meeting.
- 2355440 Ontario Inc. – 250 to 272 Springbank Drive
11. (13) That the Environmental and Ecological Planning Advisory Committee (EEPAC) reviewed and received a Notice, dated November 14, 2013, from M. Davis, Planner II, with respect to an application by 2355440 Ontario Inc., relating to the properties located at 250 to 272 Springbank Drive. The EEPAC established a Working Group consisting of G. Sass (Lead), F. Cirino, B. Maddeford and N. St. Amour, for review and to report back at the next meeting.
- MHBC Planning Urban Design and Landscape Architecture – 545 Fanshawe Park Road West
12. (14) That the Environmental and Ecological Planning Advisory Committee (EEPAC) reviewed and received a Notice, dated November 21, 2013, from N. Musicco, Planner II, with respect to an application by MHBC Planning Urban Design and Landscape Architecture, relating to the property located at 545 Fanshawe Park Road West. The EEPAC requested the Subject Lands Status Report for the property to review; it being noted that there is a stream and ravine on the subject property.
- Kains Woods ESA Trails Advisory Group - Management Zone Map
13. (16,18) That the Environmental and Ecological Planning Advisory Committee (EEPAC) reviewed and received the Trails Advisory Group Summary and Update from its meetings held on November 28, 2012 and April 25, 2013 and the Working Group comments relating to the Kains Woods ESA Management Zone Map. The EEPAC asked that the EEPAC Working Group comments be forwarded to staff for their review and consideration.

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Kaizen Homes
Inc. – 9345
Elviage Drive

14. (17) That the Environmental and Ecological Planning Advisory Committee (EEPAC) asked that the EEPAC Working Group comments, with respect to an application by Kaizen Homes, relating to the property located at 9345 Elviage Drive be forwarded to staff for their review and consideration.

Review of City
Budget –
Impacts on
ESA's

15. (19) That the Environmental and Ecological Planning Advisory Committee held a general discussion with respect to a review of the City of London Budget to determine any impacts on Environmentally Significant Areas. The EEPAC asked S. Levin to report back on any potential impacts at the next meeting.

Living With
Natural Areas
Brochure

16. (20) That the Environmental and Ecological Planning Advisory Committee (EEPAC) reviewed and received a draft brochure from I. MacKenzie, with respect to the proposed revisions to the existing brochure that is provided to homeowners living near Environmentally Significant Areas. The EEPAC asked its Members to provide Mr. MacKenzie with comments on the brochure prior to the January 7, 2014 EEPAC Agenda deadline. The EEPAC also requested ideas for research design.

City of London –
1010, 1020,
1030 Clarke
Road, 1975
Cheapside
Street and 2010
Oxford Street
East

17. (21) That the Environmental and Ecological Planning Advisory Committee (EEPAC) reviewed and received a Notice, dated November 18, 2013, from M. Corby, Planner II, with respect to an application by the City of London, relating to the properties located at 1010, 1020, 1030 Clarke Road, 1975 Cheapside Street and 2010 Oxford Street East. The EEPAC requested the following:

- a) any woodland that is not deemed significant as the result of a desktop exercise be classified as “Environmental Review” until the woodlands’ significance can be determined through the completion of more detailed environmental studies; and,
- b) the EEPAC receive the desktop exercise results for the patches, if possible.

City of London –
7236, 7292,
7340 and 7356
Colonel Talbot
Road, 6473 Orr
Drive and 6526
Southminster
Bourne

18. (22) That the Environmental and Ecological Planning Advisory Committee (EEPAC) reviewed and received a Notice, dated November 18, 2013, from M. Corby, Planner II, with respect to an application by the City of London, relating to the properties located at 7236, 7292, 7340 and 7356 Colonel Talbot Road, 6473 Orr Drive and 6526 Southminster Bourne. The EEPAC requested the following:

- a) any woodland that is not deemed significant as the result of a desktop exercise be classified as “Environmental Review” until the woodlands’ significance can be determined through the completion of more detailed environmental studies; and,
- b) the EEPAC receive the desktop exercise results for the patches, if possible.

City of London –
3915, 3959
Commerce
Road, 1400
Global Drive,
1484 and 1510
Wilton Grove
Road

19. (23) That the Environmental and Ecological Planning Advisory Committee (EEPAC) reviewed and received a Notice, dated November 18, 2013, from M. Corby, Planner II, with respect to an application by the City of London, relating to the properties located at 3915, 3959 Commerce Road, 1400 Global Drive, 1484 and 1510 Wilton Grove Road. The EEPAC requested the following:

- a) any woodland that is not deemed significant as the result of a desktop exercise be classified as “Environmental Review” until the woodlands’ significance can be determined through the completion of more detailed environmental studies; and,
- b) the EEPAC receive the desktop exercise results for the patches, if possible.

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City of London –
2070 and 2080
Dundas Street

20. (24) That the Environmental and Ecological Planning Advisory Committee (EEPAC) reviewed and received a Notice, dated November 18, 2013, from M. Corby, Planner II, with respect to an application by the City of London, relating to the properties located at 2070 and 2080 Dundas Street. The EEPAC requested the following:

- a) any woodland that is not deemed significant as the result of a desktop exercise be classified as “Environmental Review” until the woodlands’ significance can be determined through the completion of more detailed environmental studies; and,
- b) the EEPAC receive the desktop exercise results for the patches, if possible.

City of London –
108 and 146
Exeter Road
and 3680
Wonderland
Road South

21. (25) That the Environmental and Ecological Planning Advisory Committee (EEPAC) reviewed and received a Notice, dated November 18, 2013, from M. Corby, Planner II, with respect to an application by the City of London, relating to the properties located at 108 and 146 Exeter Road and 3680 Wonderland Road South. The EEPAC requested the following:

- a) any woodland that is not deemed significant as the result of a desktop exercise be classified as “Environmental Review” until the woodlands’ significance can be determined through the completion of more detailed environmental studies; and,
- b) the EEPAC receive the desktop exercise results for the patches, if possible.

City of London –
234 Exeter
Road

22. (26) That the Environmental and Ecological Planning Advisory Committee (EEPAC) reviewed and received a Notice, dated November 18, 2013, from M. Corby, Planner II, with respect to an application by the City of London, relating to the property located at 234 Exeter Road. The EEPAC requested the following:

- a) any woodland that is not deemed significant as the result of a desktop exercise be classified as “Environmental Review” until the woodlands’ significance can be determined through the completion of more detailed environmental studies; and,
- b) the EEPAC receive the desktop exercise results for the patches, if possible

City of London –
31 Firestone
Boulevard, 1580
Gore Road and
290 Hale Street

23. (27) That the Environmental and Ecological Planning Advisory Committee (EEPAC) reviewed and received a Notice, dated November 18, 2013, from M. Corby, Planner II, with respect to an application by the City of London, relating to the properties located at 31 Firestone Boulevard, 1580 Gore Road and 290 Hale Street. The EEPAC requested the following:

- a) any woodland that is not deemed significant as the result of a desktop exercise be classified as “Environmental Review” until the woodlands’ significance can be determined through the completion of more detailed environmental studies; and,
- b) the EEPAC receive the desktop exercise results for the patches, if possible

City of London –
1900 Gore
Road

24. (28) That the Environmental and Ecological Planning Advisory Committee (EEPAC) reviewed and received a Notice, dated November 18, 2013, from M. Corby, Planner II, with respect to an application by the City of London, relating to the property located at 1900 Gore Road. The EEPAC requested the following:

- a) any woodland that is not deemed significant as the result of a desktop exercise be classified as “Environmental Review” until the woodlands’ significance can be determined through the completion of more detailed environmental studies; and,
- b) the EEPAC receive the desktop exercise results for the patches, if possible.

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City of London –
1985 Gore
Road, 2150 and
2220 River
Road and 2234
Scanlan Street

25. (29) That the Environmental and Ecological Planning Advisory Committee (EEPAC) reviewed and received a Notice, dated November 18, 2013, from M. Corby, Planner II, with respect to an application by the City of London, relating to the properties located at 1985 Gore Road, 2150 and 2220 River Road and 2234 Scanlan Street. The EEPAC requested the following:

- a) any woodland that is not deemed significant as the result of a desktop exercise be classified as “Environmental Review” until the woodlands’ significance can be determined through the completion of more detailed environmental studies; and,
- b) the EEPAC receive the desktop exercise results for the patches, if possible.

City of London –
1005 and 1015
Green Valley
Road

26. (30) That the Environmental and Ecological Planning Advisory Committee (EEPAC) reviewed and received a Notice, dated November 18, 2013, from M. Corby, Planner II, with respect to an application by the City of London, relating to the properties located at 1005 and 1015 Green Valley Road. The EEPAC requested the following:

- a) any woodland that is not deemed significant as the result of a desktop exercise be classified as “Environmental Review” until the woodlands’ significance can be determined through the completion of more detailed environmental studies; and,
- b) the EEPAC receive the desktop exercise results for the patches, if possible.

City of London –
1100, 1180 and
1205 Green
Valley Road

27. (31) That the Environmental and Ecological Planning Advisory Committee (EEPAC) reviewed and received a Notice, dated November 18, 2013, from M. Corby, Planner II, with respect to an application by the City of London, relating to the properties located at 1100, 1180 and 1205 Green Valley Road. The EEPAC requested the following:

- a) any woodland that is not deemed significant as the result of a desktop exercise be classified as “Environmental Review” until the woodlands’ significance can be determined through the completion of more detailed environmental studies; and,
- b) the EEPAC receive the desktop exercise results for the patches, if possible.

City of London –
2079 Huron
Street

28. (32) That the Environmental and Ecological Planning Advisory Committee (EEPAC) reviewed and received a Notice, dated November 18, 2013, from M. Corby, Planner II, with respect to an application by the City of London, relating to the property located at 2079 Huron Street. The EEPAC requested the following:

- a) any woodland that is not deemed significant as the result of a desktop exercise be classified as “Environmental Review” until the woodlands’ significance can be determined through the completion of more detailed environmental studies; and,
- b) the EEPAC receive the desktop exercise results for the patches, if possible.

City of London –
2120 and 2204
Huron Street
and 1424 Clarke
Road

29. (33) That the Environmental and Ecological Planning Advisory Committee (EEPAC) reviewed and received a Notice, dated November 18, 2013, from M. Corby, Planner II, with respect to an application by the City of London, relating to the properties located at 2120 and 2204 Huron Street and 1424 Clarke Road. The EEPAC requested the following:

- a) any woodland that is not deemed significant as the result of a desktop exercise be classified as “Environmental Review” until the woodlands’ significance can be determined through the completion of more detailed environmental studies; and,
- b) the EEPAC receive the desktop exercise results for the patches, if possible.

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City of London –
533, 575, 595
and 607
Industrial Road
and 2021
Oxford Street
East

30. (34) That the Environmental and Ecological Planning Advisory Committee (EEPAC) reviewed and received a Notice, dated November 18, 2013, from M. Corby, Planner II, with respect to an application by the City of London, relating to the properties located at 533, 575, 595 and 607 Industrial Road and 2021 Oxford Street East. The EEPAC requested the following:

- a) any woodland that is not deemed significant as the result of a desktop exercise be classified as “Environmental Review” until the woodlands’ significance can be determined through the completion of more detailed environmental studies; and,
- b) the EEPAC receive the desktop exercise results for the patches, if possible.

City of London –
15890 Robins
Hill Road

31. (35) That the Environmental and Ecological Planning Advisory Committee (EEPAC) reviewed and received a Notice, dated November 18, 2013, from M. Corby, Planner II, with respect to an application by the City of London, relating to the property located at 15890 Robins Hill Road. The EEPAC requested the following:

- a) any woodland that is not deemed significant as the result of a desktop exercise be classified as “Environmental Review” until the woodlands’ significance can be determined through the completion of more detailed environmental studies; and,
- b) the EEPAC receive the desktop exercise results for the patches, if possible.

City of London –
3696 Scotland
Drive, 3703 and
3777
Westminster
Drive and 5110
White Oak Road

32. (36) That the Environmental and Ecological Planning Advisory Committee (EEPAC) reviewed and received a Notice, dated November 18, 2013, from M. Corby, Planner II, with respect to an application by the City of London, relating to the properties located at 3696 Scotland Drive, 3703 and 3777 Westminster Drive and 5110 White Oak Road. The EEPAC requested the following:

- a) any woodland that is not deemed significant as the result of a desktop exercise be classified as “Environmental Review” until the woodlands’ significance can be determined through the completion of more detailed environmental studies; and,
- b) the EEPAC receive the desktop exercise results for the patches, if possible.

City of London –
2835
Sunningdale
Road East and
2326 Fanshawe
Park Road East

33. (37) That the Environmental and Ecological Planning Advisory Committee (EEPAC) reviewed and received a Notice, dated November 18, 2013, from M. Corby, Planner II, with respect to an application by the City of London, relating to the properties located at 2835 Sunningdale Road East and 2326 Fanshawe Park Road East. The EEPAC requested the following:

- a) any woodland that is not deemed significant as the result of a desktop exercise be classified as “Environmental Review” until the woodlands’ significance can be determined through the completion of more detailed environmental studies; and,
- b) the EEPAC receive the desktop exercise results for the patches, if possible.

City of London –
1010 and 1030
Wilton Grove
Road

34. (38) That the Environmental and Ecological Planning Advisory Committee (EEPAC) reviewed and received a Notice, dated November 18, 2013, from M. Corby, Planner II, with respect to an application by the City of London, relating to the properties located at 1010 and 1030 Wilton Grove Road. The EEPAC requested the following:

- a) any woodland that is not deemed significant as the result of a desktop exercise be classified as “Environmental Review” until the woodlands’ significance can be determined through the completion of more detailed environmental studies; and,
- b) the EEPAC receive the desktop exercise results for the patches, if possible.

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- Member-Initiated EEPAC Projects 35. (39) That the Environmental and Ecological Planning Advisory Committee (EEPAC) asked its Members to consider projects, within the EEPAC mandate, that the EEPAC can accomplish and to provide suggestions at the next meeting.
36. That the Environmental and Ecological Planning Advisory Committee (EEPAC) received and noted the following:
- 11th Report of the EEPAC a) (1) the 11th Report of the EEPAC from its meeting held on November 21, 2013;
- EEPAC Appointment b) (3) a Municipal Council resolution adopted at its meeting held on December 3, 2013, with respect to the appointment of D. Ellis to the EEPAC; and,
- S. & M. Circelli – 225 to 229 Greenwood Avenue c) (15) a Notice, dated November 22, 2013, from B. Turcotte, Senior Planner, with respect to an application by S. and M. Circelli, relating to the properties located at 225 to 229 Greenwood Avenue.
- Next Meeting 37. That the Environmental and Ecological Planning Advisory Committee will hold its next meeting on January 16, 2014.

The meeting adjourned at 7:51 P.M.