

Report
London Advisory Committee on Heritage
Education Sub-Committee

Tuesday May 4, 2021
6:30pm
Virtual Meeting (Zoom)

Education Sub-Committee Members: Kerby Waud (Chairperson), J. Manness, M. Rice;
R. Armistead, K. Gonyou (staff)

1. Revised Draft Plaque Text for 505 Talbot Street

The Education Sub-Committee received revised draft plaque text, submitted by Stantec. The Education Sub-Committee appreciatively noted that the comments previously provided were incorporated into the revised draft plaque text.

K. Gonyou shared a revised drawing showing the plaque installation on the new building that was provided by Stantec after the agenda was circulated. It shows the correct orientation (portrait) for the plaque.

The Education Sub-Committee reiterated their interest in understanding how the salvaged and reclaimed artefacts from the former buildings will be incorporated into the new building's interior and/or exterior or within the heritage courtyard.

2. Lorne Avenue Public School Cultural Heritage Interpretive Sign, Lorne Avenue Park

The Education Sub-Committee received draft text and captions for a cultural heritage interpretive sign in the Lorne Avenue Park to commemorate the former Lorne Avenue Public School.

R. Armistead noted that further community consultation was required before the cultural heritage interpretive sign will be finalized.

The Education Sub-Committee would like to provide the following comments on the draft text:

- Encourage economizing words; to summarize a bit more compactly
- The caption on Image 3 (reference to scale and the 1890 Bird's Eye View) was unclear
- School opening on October 8, 1875 (Image 4) open to pupils October 11, 1875 (Image 3) – please clarify the difference
- Where are the Honour Rolls now located? (Image 12)
- Typo on Image 15: Bird's eye view drawing of London...

- Seeking more information on Bella Boon as Principal of the Lorne Avenue Public School
- Seeking more information about the more recent history of Lorne Avenue Public School, bringing the history of the Lorne Avenue Public School to the present
- Seeking a revision to the information presented about the ebbs and flows in the school population of Lorne Avenue Public School; sixth paragraph could be consolidated or abbreviated for clarity
- The Education Sub-Committee would suggest the following images and captions could potentially be eliminated or essential historical facts consolidated:
 - Image 5: Murray Anderson and Anderson School (caption is more about Town of London, rather than London East; noting the historic importance of Murray Anderson as the first Mayor of the City of London)
 - Image 6: Marquis of Lorne (duplicate; not essential as an image; is there a photograph of both the Princess Louise and the Marquis of Lorne)
 - Image 7: Princess Louise (not essential as an image; but seeking equal billing for Princess Louise as the Marquis of Lorne)
 - Image 11: O Pee Chee (not essential to the history of the school)

The Education Sub-Committee asked to confirm the location for the installation of the cultural heritage interpretive sign within Lorne Avenue Park.

The Education Sub-Committee requests that their comments be considered and a final draft of the cultural heritage interpretive sign be circulated prior to installation.

3. Aeolian Hall Cultural Heritage Interpretive Sign

R. Armistead noted that research to contribute to a cultural heritage interpretive sign for the Aeolian Hall (795 Dundas Street) is being prepared.

4. General Updates

- a. Engine 86
- b. Graham Arboretum
- c. Blackfriars Mill, Harris Park
- d. Terry Fox plaque on the Victoria Park Bandshell
- e. Holy Roller
- f. Huggabone's Hill
- g. Carling Brewery

Next Education Sub-Committee meeting: Tuesday June 1, 2021 at 6:30pm (to be confirmed)