

LAND USE COMMITTEE

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As the new Director of House and Property and the appointed Vice President of CCRA, I am responsible for the directions taken by the Land Use Committee. Originally, the Land Use Committee was organized and structured with only members of the CCRA Board but the intention was always to include community residents on the committee.

Now that the Land Use Survey has been completed by our residents, the Land Use Committee has a starting point in knowing the preferences of our community for the use of the land. I would like to take this opportunity to thank our residents for their responses to the survey. We received responses from 203 of the 267 households surveyed.

The “Terms of Reference for” or the “Mandate of” the Land Use Committee is as follows:

Using the feedback from residents contained in the Preferences Survey, the Committee will analyze and categorize preferences for the use of the entire 25 acres of land to be transferred by Scugog Township to CCRA (currently approximately 20 acres have been transferred). The Committee will investigate, research, plan, cost and prioritize their recommended uses of the land. The costing and prioritizing should include estimates that can be included in the 2022-23 CCRA Budget year and beyond. Their recommendations will be presented to the CCRA Board for any further study, approval and implementation.

The rationale for committee member representation is as follows:

Membership representation will be determined by where the committee member resides in the community with the objective of member representation in all areas of Canterbury Common. Membership will also be determined by experience, enthusiasm and interest in serving our community.

The new committee membership is as follows:

Waterbury West - Doug Rogers
Waterbury North - Joy McDonald
Waterbury East - Dorothy Bull (Municipal Affairs, CCRA Board)
Waterbury East/Centre - Wayne Shannon
Waterbury South – Mary-Anne Matthews
South Garden Court – Brad Hatt
McCaw Court - David Cooper (Chair)
Holtby Court – Scott Sullivan
Coulter Avenue - Donna Easter
Candlelight Court - Ren Blimke
Commons Blvd - John Nesbitt
Country Estates - Doug Thiemann

The committee may decide to add members as they see fit or they may draw on the expertise of members from other committees such as H&P’s tree expert, Ulo Sibul.

I hope that the committee will regularly communicate with all residents through the monthly Bulletin and the Chronicle.

My thanks to them all for “stepping up” when asked by their community.