

June 24, 2016

[REDACTED]

Dear [REDACTED]

Re: Your request for access to information under Part II of the *Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Act*

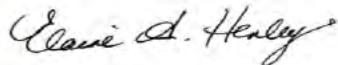
On May 31, 2016, the City of St. John's received your request for access to the following records/information:

"copies of any emails to or from employees of the City of St. John's or members of the St. John's Municipal Council that pertain to 154 New Cove Road"

Enclosed is the extent of the information we have on file. We now consider this matter completed and will be closing the file.

If you have any further questions, please feel free to contact the undersigned by telephone at 576-8202 or by e-mail: ehenley@stjohns.ca.

Yours very truly,



Elaine Henley
City Clerk

ST. JOHN'S



Re: Town Hall

[redacted] to: [redacted] [redacted]
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RE: Town Hall
NL Historic Trust

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[REDACTED]
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2015/03/27 12:30 PM

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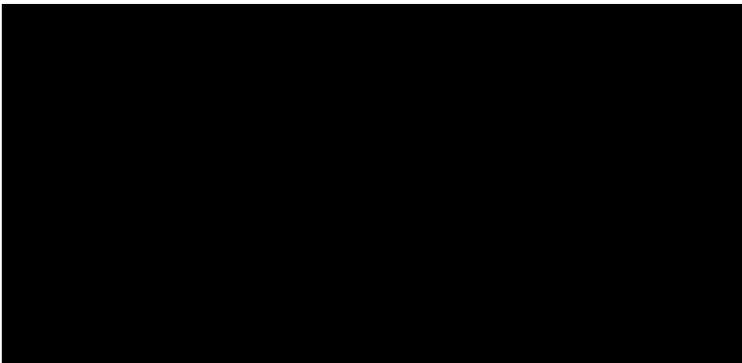
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[redacted] to: NL Historic Trust
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2015/03/27 01:12 PM

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Please respond to [redacted]

2015/03/27 01:19 PM

Yeah, [redacted] this is my 'hood and this is the Baird's house. They did a lot of work on it a couple of years ago.

[redacted]

From: [redacted]
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154 New Cove Rd. - Bryn Mawr (Steinhauer house) - Provincial heritage designation

Ken O'Brien to: Dave Blackmore, Jason Sinyard, Dave Wadden 2015/07/14 03:09 PM

This property (named "Bryn Mawr" - Welsh for "Large hill") was built in 1907 and designated by the Heritage Foundation of NL in 1993. It has not been designated by the City, though it appears on a list of properties with heritage interest that was prepared in 1976.

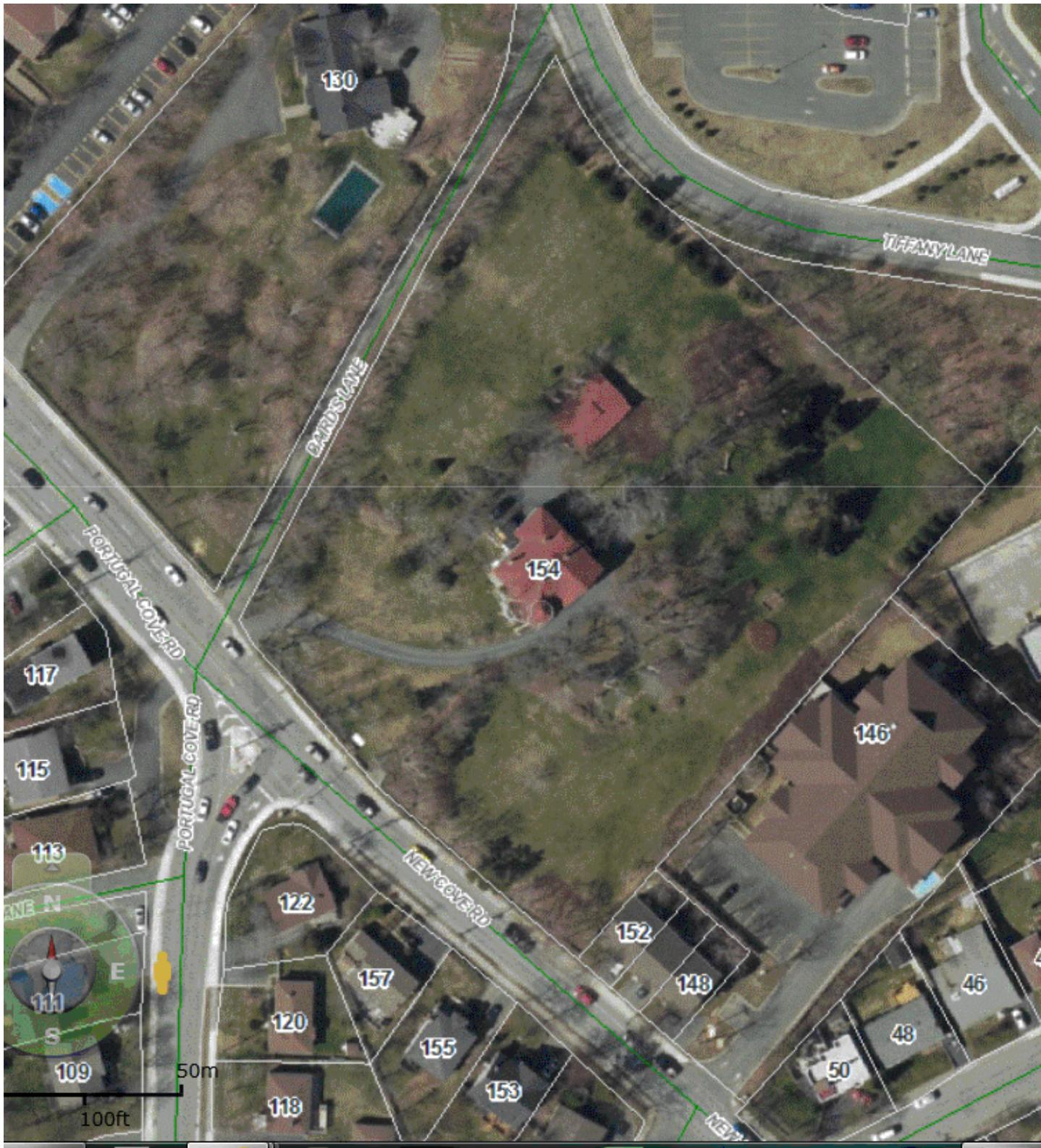
Provincial designation entitles the property owner to apply for a grant for heritage restoration. If a grant is accepted, the owner signs a covenant with HFNL agreeing to not modify the property except as agreed to by HFNL. If an owner accepted a grant and then decided to demolish the building, HFNL could go after them for the value of the grant. At the time, the maximum grant available was, I think, \$10,000.

See <http://heritagefoundation.ca/property-search/property-details-page.aspx?id=1417>

Ken

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Re: Steinhauer Property - 154 New Cove Road 
Gerard Doran to: Andrea Roberts

2015/07/16 08:25 AM

Thanks, Andrea!

Gerard Doran
Development Supervisor
Department of Planning, Development and Engineering
City of St. John's
576-8452
576-8625 fax

Andrea Roberts

Good Afternoon, The Development Team met wi...

2015/07/15 04:26:18 PM

From: Andrea Roberts/CSJ
To: Don Brennan/CSJ@CSJ, Jerry Peach/CSJ@CSJ
Cc: Gerard Doran/CSJ@CSJ
Date: 2015/07/15 04:26 PM
Subject: Steinhauer Property - 154 New Cove Road

Good Afternoon,

The Development Team met with the potential developers of 154 New Cove Road this afternoon, and discussed the proposed development. It was evident that because of the street design, a meeting would be important between the developer and representatives from Streets and SJRFD to discuss a proposed development.

The preliminary concept plan is attached. They are proposing a one way public street.

We hold Development Team meetings every Wednesday afternoon. Please let me know if you or a representative of your department can attend next Wednesday, July 22 at 3pm or 3:45pm. If not, please advise and I will try to set something up on a different day in order to have both representatives present for the meeting.

Thanks,

Andrea Roberts
Development Officer
City of St. John's
Planning, Development and Engineering
(709) 576-8430
(709) 576-8625 fax

[attachment "July 15, 2015 Residential Concept Plan - Steinhauer Property - New Cove Road.pdf" deleted by Gerard Doran/CSJ]



[Show Details](#)

Development Team - Steinhauer Property - 154 New Cove Road,

2015/07/22 Wed 3:00 PM - 3:45 PM

Attendance is delegated for

Chair: **Andrea Roberts/CSJ**

Location: PDE Board Room - 3rd floor, City Hall

Required:	Brian Head/CSJ@CSJ, Dave Wadden/CSJ@CSJ, Gerard Doran/CSJ@CSJ, Jerry Peach/CSJ@CSJ, Jim Moore/CSJ@CSJ, Justin.Ladha@kmkcapital.ca, Keith.Noseworthy@kmkcapital.ca, Kevin.King@kmkcapital.ca
Optional:	Sylvester Crocker/CSJ@CSJ

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Proposed subdivision on one way street

Personal Notes



Delegated: Development Team - Steinhauer Property - 154 New Cove Road,

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has delegated this meeting invitation to **Mike Cantwell**

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Accepted: Development Team - Steinhauer Property - 154 New Cove Road,

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Description



154 New Cove Rd. - Bryn Mawr (former Steinhauer property), built in 1907

Ken O'Brien to: Jason Sinyard
Cc: Sylvester Crocker

2016/02/19 03:41 PM

<http://heritagefoundation.ca/property-search/property-details-page.aspx?id=1417>

Designated by the Heritage Foundation of NL as a registered heritage structure.

No grant was issued by the Foundation.

Mrs. Steinhauer wrote the Foundation a year ago asking that their designation be removed from the property.

The designation cannot legally prevent a demolition.

The property is not designated by the City as a heritage building but appears on a list dating to the 1970s that set out buildings that merit designation.

Ken

Note: Bryn Mawr is a town in Wales. The original owner of the house, merchant James Baird, was born in Scotland and may have had Welsh ties.

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Re: Demolition Application - 154 Portugal Cove Road , Bryn Mawr house 

Ken O'Brien to: Jason Sinyard
Cc: Randy Carew, Sylvester Crocker

2016/03/17 12:07 PM

Thanks, will do.

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From:	Jason Sinyard/CSJ	
To:	Randy Carew/CSJ@CSJ, Ken O'Brien/CSJ@CSJ	
Cc:	Sylvester Crocker/CSJ@CSJ	
Date:	2016/03/17 11:49 AM	
Subject:	Demolition Application	

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Thanks.

Jason

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Demolition 
Ken O'Brien to: Arthur MacDonald
Cc: Kenessa Cutler

2016/03/18 02:48 PM

The coming application to demolish Bryn Mawr house at 154 Portugal Cove Road.

Ken

Arthur MacDonald	Which demolition are we referring to? Arthur Ma...	2016/03/17 04:07:55 PM
From:	Arthur MacDonald/CSJ	
To:	Kenessa Cutler/CSJ@CSJ	
Cc:	Ken O'Brien/CSJ@CSJ	
Date:	2016/03/17 04:07 PM	
Subject:	Re: For your approval - BHEP Agenda March 23, 2016	

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Ken O'Brien	From: Ken O'Brien/CSJ To: Jason Sinyard/CSJ...	2016/03/17 03:54:01 PM
From:	Ken O'Brien/CSJ	
To:	Jason Sinyard/CSJ@csj	
Cc:	Kenessa Cutler/CSJ@csj	
Date:	2016/03/17 03:54 PM	
Subject:	Re: For your approval - BHEP Agenda March 23, 2016	

The demolition is not on the agenda as of yet.

Ken

Ken O'Brien
Chief Municipal Planner
Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 17, 2016, at 3:37 PM, Jason Sinyard <JSinyard@stjohns.ca> wrote:

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Fwd: Application - 154 New Cove Road
Jason Sinyard to: Ken O'Brien

2016/03/18 03:24 PM

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Keith Noseworthy" <Keith.Noseworthy@kmkcapital.ca>
Date: March 18, 2016 at 3:09:52 PM NDT
To: "Jason Sinyard" <JSinyard@stjohns.ca>
Subject: **Application - 154 New Cove Road**

Good Afternoon Jason,

Please be advised that the application for the above noted property has now been submitted to Access St. John's via the owner, [REDACTED]

If you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact our office..

Regards,

Keith Noseworthy, PTech
Project Manager
KMK Capital Inc.

Mobile: 709 689 6853
Office: 709 754 2057 ext. 281
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Abatement and Demolition Application - 154 New Cove Road.pdf

Re: For your approval - BHEP Agenda March 23, 2016 

Randy Carew to: Jason Sinyard

2016/03/18 03:26 PM

Cc: Ken O'Brien, Kenessa Cutler, Arthur MacDonald, Sylvester Crocker

History: This message has been replied to.

Application has been made for demolition of 154 New Cove Road.

Regards,

Randy Carew, CET
Supervisor - Inspection Services
Planning, Development & Engineering
Ph: 576-8569
Fax: 576-8160
e-mail: rcarew@stjohns.ca

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The question to be referred to the Panel is whether to recommend to Council that Council designate the house as a Heritage Building.

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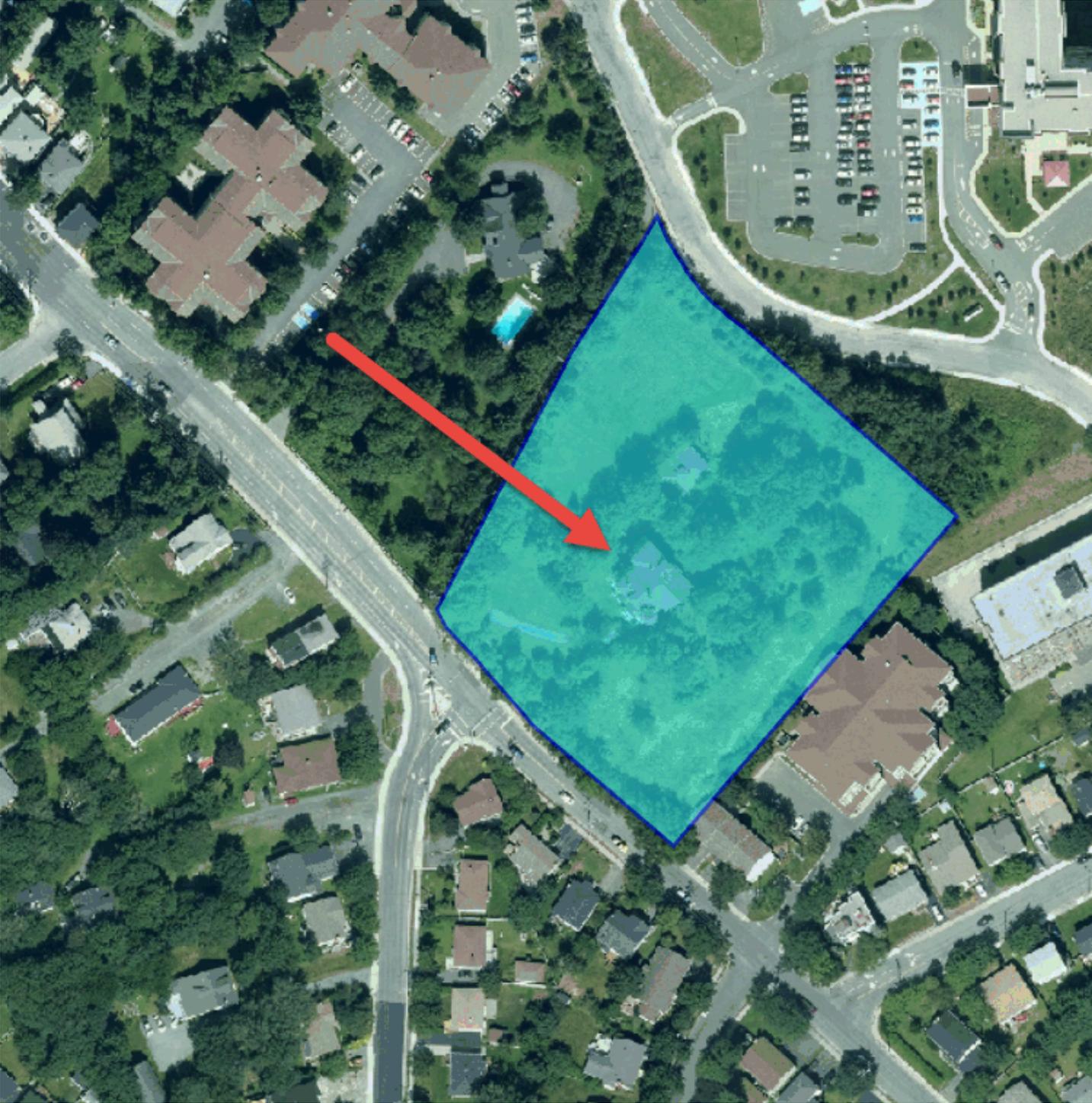
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Exterior view of side and front facade
2004 Heritage Foundation of Newfoundland and Labrador





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2016/03/21 10:21 AM

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Exterior view of side and front facade

2004 Heritage Foundation of Newfoundland and Labrador



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2016/03/22 12:16 PM

Arthur MacDonald, bruceblackwood, gkindervater,

Cc: glennbarnes.architecture, lydialewycky, mark, markgw74, matthew, michael, michael, Sylvester Crocker

Thanks, Kenessa.

Folks, we have a fair sized agenda for tomorrow. We had hoped to start off the Panel with a welcome, a brief orientation, and perhaps a few small items. That has not really worked out in the manner we hoped!

We do not and cannot expect that people can give a large chunk of time on a weekday for such a meeting, as ye are volunteers. Time is always at a premium and we appreciate that. We will start with a brief orientation and then move smoothly through the various agenda items. We do have several delegations and have informed each of them that they have no more than 10 minutes with the Panel.

If our time goes long, we can bring forward any remaining items to the next meeting of the Panel. We can talk tomorrow about the need for meetings, a regular schedule, most convenient days to meet, length of meetings, and so on. Our aim is to use your expertise but in a focussed manner that is not onerous for members.

Under the terms of reference for the Panel, the chair is selected by Council, considering the recommendation of City staff. At its March 21 regular meeting, Council appointed Glen Barnes to serve as the chair of the Panel.

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BHEP Meeting March 23, 2016 - 154 New Cove Road - Demolition Permit

Arthur MacDonald to: Ken O'Brien, Kenessa Cutler

2016/03/22 01:39 PM

Hi Ken and Kenessa,

Please be advised that I just received a phone call from Keith Noseworthy (KMK Capital) advising that he and Fred Steinhauer will **not** be attending the BHEP meeting tomorrow.

I did advise him that it would be a good idea to attend the Planning and Development Standing Committee meeting of April 19th. He took this under advisement and advised that he believed that Mr. Steinhauer will be forwarding a written correspondence to Council regarding the application for a demolition permit for 154 New Cove Road.

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Heritage incentives - Council directive from 2014 

Ken O'Brien to: Tom Hann

2016/03/22 03:17 PM

Cc: Council_group, Jason Sinyard, Kevin Breen, Sylvester Crocker

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Meeting Date:	2014/11/24	Directive Status:	Closed
Action Status:	Submit	Closed By:	Dave Blackmore

Directive

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Directed To: Dave Blackmore Deputy City Manager, Planning, Development & Engineering

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Action: as required

Date: 2014/11/25

Signed by: Elaine Henley City Clerk

Status Comments:

Response Required: YES NO **Response Deadline:** 2014/12/29

Post Deadline
Reminder: 3
(days)

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Meeting Information

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Date of Meeting: 2014/11/24

Type of Meeting: Regular Special

Typist's Initials: kc

Ward:

Area:

Carbon Copy: Yes No

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Directed To: Dave Blackmore

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Posted Date: 2014/11/25 11:44 AM **Posted By:** Karen Chafe

Closed Date: 2014/11/25 11:59 AM **Closed By:** Dave Blackmore

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Neil Martin to: Kevin Breen, Jason Sinyard

2016/03/22 03:57 PM

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Type: MEETING Directive#:6

Meeting 2014/11/24 Directive Closed

Date: Status:

Action Submit **Closed** Dave

Status: By: Blackmore

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To:	Blackmor Planning,
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RE:	Heritage Advisory Committee
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Signed by: Elaine City Clerk
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Comments:

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154 New Cove Road
Arthur MacDonald to: Ken O'Brien

2016/03/22 04:33 PM

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Jason Sinyard to: Neil Martin
Cc: Kevin Breen

2016/03/22 04:45 PM

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2016/03/22 09:17 PM

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See Jason's response blew.

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Reconsider at the next 3 year budget.

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Talk it over with Kevin and we can chat at SEC.

Neil

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On Mar 22, 2016, at 4:45 PM, Jason Sinyard <JSinyard@stjohns.ca> wrote:

I like your sign off! We should chat but I think there's merit in bringing it forward given the ongoing tension over heritage. It may not survive the budget but at least it will be quantified.

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Kevin/Jason:

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My suggestion would be that this be deeped sixed. We need to show cost reductions not plans to spend more.

Just my thoughts on the matter but, then again, I really don't give a RFA :-)

Neil

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I can't seem to find the council directive do you have it

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Tom

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Subject: 154 New Cove Road - BHEP Agenda March 23, 2016

For the BHEP agenda:

- Proposed demolition of Bryn Mawr (house) at 154 New Cove Road.

The house was built in 1907. It sits on approximately 13,901 square metres (3.4 acres) of property. The house is not designated by the City as a Heritage Building. It was designated by the Heritage Foundation of NL as a Registered Heritage Structure in 2004: see <http://heritagefoundation.ca/property-search/property-details-page.aspx?id=1417>
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The house appears on a list of buildings that merit consideration for heritage designation prepared in 1977.

Once an application to demolish a building is submitted to the City, there is a provision in the City of St. John's Act (section 355(7) and section 355(8) - see below) that the City has 90 days to decide on whether to designate the building as a Heritage Building, which would thus be a decision not to issue a permit for demolition.

The question to be referred to the Panel is whether to recommend to Council that Council designate the house as a Heritage Building.

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City of St. John's Act - excerpt

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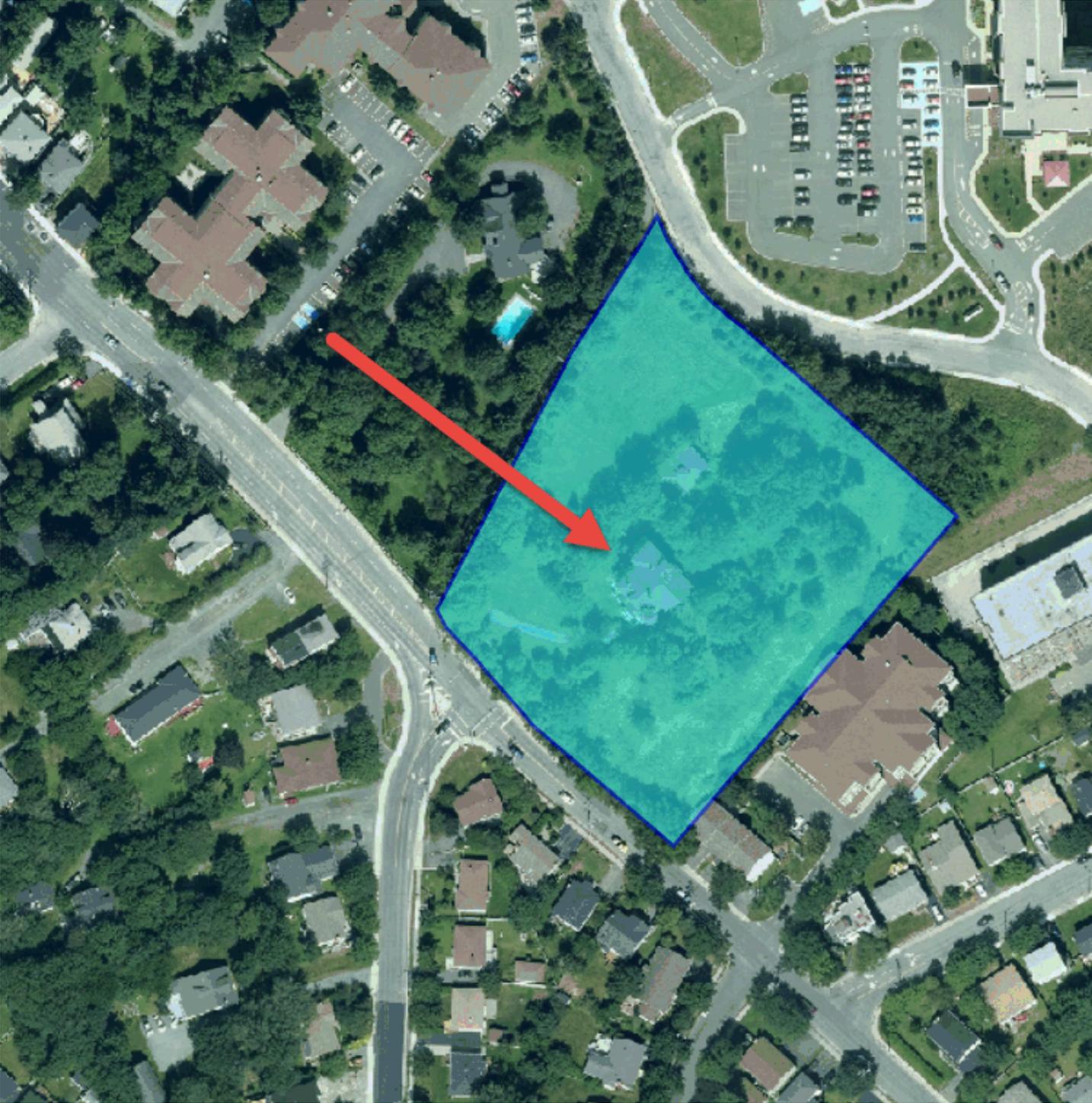
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Bryn Mawr (154 New Cove Road, St. John's)

Exterior view of side and front facade

2004 Heritage Foundation of Newfoundland and Labrador





Re: 154 New Cove Road
Sandy Hickman to: Dave Lane
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2016/03/23 10:15 AM

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Mrs. Steinhauer refused several times over the years to have it designated and now here we are. This will be a tough fight.

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To: "Sheilagh O'Leary" <SOLeary@stjohns.ca>
Subject: Re: 154 New Cove Road

Sheilagh

Provincial designation does not prevent demolition. This is being referred to the BHEP as it would have been referred to the previous HAC. Our practice has been to refer demolition applications on heritage significant buildings to HAC and now BHEP. In the past HAC have, at times, asked Council to have a building photographed for archives prior to demolition and/or have it designated a municipal heritage building.

Normally staff issue demolition permits and the permit shows up on the "permits list" at a subsequent Council meeting. However, in cases like this one the matter gets referred to BHEP for comment and then to Council for a decision on whether or not to issue the permit.

Jason

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As the experts panel is not an advisory committee, what role do we as council play in this issue?

I am opposed to this demolition potential and need to get up to speed as the Ward Councillor.

Thank you.

Regards,
Sheilagh

Sent from my iPhone



Re: BHEP Meeting March 23, 2016 - 154 New Cove Road Demolition Permit - no delegation 

Ken O'Brien to: Arthur MacDonald
Cc: Kenessa Cutler, Jason Sinyard

2016/03/23 10:32 AM

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Hi Ken and Kenessa,

Please be advised that I just received a phone call from Keith Noseworthy (KMK Capital) advising that he and Fred Steinhauer will **not** be attending the BHEP meeting tomorrow.

I did advise him that it would be a good idea to attend the Planning and Development Standing Committee meeting of April 19th. He took this under advisement and advised that he believed that Mr. Steinhauer will be forwarding a written correspondence to Council regarding the application for a demolition permit for 154 New Cove Road.

Regards,

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Re: 154 New Cove Road - HFNL 
Ken O'Brien to: Arthur MacDonald

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154 New Cove Road - Bryn Mawr House
Arthur MacDonald to: andrea

2016/03/24 09:11 AM

Hi Andrea,

Just a note in the spirit of cooperation that the City has received an application to demolish 154 New Cove Road, the Bryn Mawr House, a provincially registered Heritage Building.

If you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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Regards,
Sheilagh

Sent from my iPhone

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> Thanks so much for your reply. Is there anything else I should do in way of lobbying?

> [REDACTED] did say you would be supportive.

> Maybe we can postpone decision til at least stronger recommendations are in place.

> Lynn

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> Sent from my iPad

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>> As a heritage advocate, I have grave concerns about this proposed
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>> It will be an uphill battle as it is not designated as a city heritage

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Re: URGENT!!! Please deny another application to tear down historic home

Lynn Green to: Sheilagh O'Leary

2016/03/24 04:50 PM

Thanks for this. I have left voice mails with a few councillors. Just reached Ron Ellsworth and his first reaction was no nothing can be done because it is not a heritage property.

However I informed him otherwise.

Now I am going to try and reach Glenn Barnes.

Lynn

Sent from my iPad

> On Mar 24, 2016, at 9:15 AM, Sheilagh O'Leary <SOLeary@stjohns.ca> wrote:

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> On the books, we have 90 days from last week. We have to offer a demolition permit or not by that time.

> Yes, you should lobby with all, especially Dave Lane who proposed this Richmond cottage deal. My fear is that this Richmond cottage decision has left us vulnerable.

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> Also, the heritage experts panel met yesterday and they should definitely be engaged. Glenn Barnes is the chair of that panel. I'd get in touch with him.

> Regards,

> Sheilagh

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> Sent from my iPhone

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>> On Mar 24, 2016, at 8:29 AM, Lynn Green [REDACTED] > wrote:

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>> Thanks so much for your reply. Is there anything else I should do in way of lobbying?

>> [REDACTED] did say you would be supportive.

>> Maybe we can postpone decision til at least stronger recommendations are in place.

>> Lynn

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>> Sent from my iPad

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>>> On Mar 24, 2016, at 6:31 AM, Sheilagh O'Leary <SOLeary@stjohns.ca> wrote:

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>>> Lynn,

>>> Thanks so much for your email and information.

>>> As a heritage advocate, I have grave concerns about this proposed demolition potential and will oppose its destruction.

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>>> It will be an uphill battle as it is not designated as a city heritage site, rather a provincial one. This means the only recourse to preserve the

>>> building will be council political will, until we have more concrete heritage regs recommended and in place.

>>> The heritage officer will be proposing recommendations in the next 2 months.

>>> Thank you.

>>> Sheilagh

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>>> Sent from my iPhone
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>>>> On Mar 23, 2016, at 7:56 PM, Lynn Green [REDACTED] > wrote:
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>>>> Dear Council members,
>>>> It has just come to my attention that there will be application for
>>> demolition of another historic site. The house on 154 Portugal Cove Rd.
> was
>>> built in the early 1900's.
>>>> It is a magnificent Victorian home and is also known as Bryn Mawr.
>>>> It is of personal significance to me as my great grandfather James
> Baird
>>> built this home in the early 1900's and my mother, Maureen O' Reilly
> later
>>> known as Maureen Collingwood was born there.
>>>> I have attached an article on the home that I certainly hope you take
> the
>>> time to read.
>>>> St. John's prides itself on being known as the oldest city in North
>>> America and yet we have been delinquent in restoring and maintaining our
>>> heritage. I feel it is very important to preserve some of these beautiful
>>> homes, especially if they have been given the distinction of heritage
>>> properties which is the case of Bryn Mawr.
>>>> I am asking all of you to turn down the request of demolition of this
>>> heritage home. It would be such a shame to lose another part of historic
>>> St. John's.
>>>> If you require any further information or would like to contact
> me, please
>>> call me at [REDACTED].
>>>> Look forward to hearing from you at your earliest convenience.
>>>> Lynn Green
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>>>> <Historic Homes of Newfoundland.pdf>
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154 New Cove Rd. - Bryn Mawr (Welsh for "Big hill") 

Ken O'Brien to: Ron Ellsworth

2016/03/24 04:51 PM

Cc: Jason Sinyard

Bcc: Ken O'Brien

It has not been designated by the City as a heritage building. Is it designated by the Heritage Foundation of NL as a registered heritage property.

See below for information that was referred to the City's new Built Heritage Experts Panel that met on March 23.

Ken

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For the BHEP agenda:

- Proposed demolition of Bryn Mawr (house) at 154 New Cove Road.

The house was built in 1907. It sits on approximately 13,901 square metres (3.4 acres) of property. The house is not designated by the City as a Heritage Building. It was designated by the Heritage Foundation of NL as a Registered Heritage Structure in 2004: see <http://heritagefoundation.ca/property-search/property-details-page.aspx?id=1417> The provincial designation does not legally preclude demolition.

The house appears on a list of buildings that merit consideration for heritage designation prepared in 1977.

Once an application to demolish a building is submitted to the City, there is a provision in the City of St. John's Act (section 355(7) and section 355(8) - see below) that the City has 90 days to decide on whether to designate the building as a Heritage Building, which would thus be a decision not to issue a permit for demolition.

The question to be referred to the Panel is whether to recommend to Council that Council designate the house as a Heritage Building.

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154 New Cove Road pending Demolition
Arthur MacDonald to: Ken O'Brien

2016/03/29 10:09 AM

Hi Ken,

Should we get legal to look into the ownership of 154 New Cove Road.

I believed this was discussed during the Panel's meeting.

Regards,

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Kelly Maguire to: Council_group, Executives, Directors, Cindy McGrath, Ken O'Brien, Janet Adams, Strategy & Engagement

2016/03/29 10:22 AM



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TELEGRAM - City cuts \$1.3M and 48 jobs

Council trims spending for snowclearing, road maintenance

BY JAMES MCLEOD

The City of St. John's will lay off 48 people and cut spending on snowclearing and road maintenance by \$1.3 million, but Coun. Danny Breen insisted the quality of services will not be affected.

The move was supported unanimously at St. John's city council Monday night, with several councillors saying more such cuts are coming.

What the city is calling "shift optimization" will mean four managers and 33 unionized winter workers being laid off, as well as one manager and 10 unionized summer workers in the roads division.

"The roads division within the department of public works is responsible for maintenance of city-owned streets and sidewalks, including such tasks as snowclearing and ice control in the winter season and street-cleaning and asphalt/concrete repairs during the summer season," stated a briefing note prepared for councillors.

Regarding winter snowclearing, Breen said the current targets for the city are that within 12 hours of a snowfall, each street in the city gets one cut with a plow, and within 24 hours, each street gets a second widening run.

"We've been achieving that sooner than 12 hours, so we still have room within our 12hour service level to meet those needs," he said.

"It may mean some delays at some times, but generally we feel that we're going to be able to meet our service standards."

Councillors Sheilagh O'Leary and Tom Hann, as well as Deputy Mayor Ron Ellsworth and Mayor Dennis O'Keefe, spoke in support of the move. "We're looking at declining revenues, and that was reflected in budget 2016, and had action not been taken – as we have been saying time and time and time again – then the situation in the next budget cycle would be, in fact, much, much worse," O'Keefe said.

"It's a matter of making very, very difficult decisions, as we made with budget 2016, as we're making here today, and there will be more of these."

Hann said he's hearing of extremely low morale among municipal employees in the wake of this year's controversial budget.

He acknowledged council "probably didn't realize the seriousness of it."

Sitting in the public gallery watching were a handful of representatives from the union that

represents city workers.

Terry Bennett, president of the CUPE local representing outside workers, said he's not sure whether these layoffs will affect services, but he's worried there are more cuts coming.

In fact, several councillors hinted at exactly that, saying tough decisions will have to be made in the coming year.

"Our workers will definitely do it, but it all depends on whether there are any more cuts coming," Bennett said.

"This is only one shot here now. We don't know what's coming in weeks."

Breen struggled to explain what exactly the "optimization" will look like, that the city will maintain the same level of service with 48 fewer workers and \$1.3 million less in spending next year.

He offered to set media up with a more detailed explanation from city staff later in the week.

He said it all really depends on how much snow falls.

"It really depends on the winter," Breen said.

"If it's a bad winter, then we're going to face increased costs, just like we would've faced them this year."

TELEGRAM - Axe-throwing business gets killed

Ward 3 Coun. Bruce Tilley didn't offer a lot of detail, but he clearly wasn't too disappointed that a small business decided not to open in his ward. The business was competitive axe-throwing. At the end of Monday night's council meeting, Tilley announced that a proposal for an axe-throwing facility on Topsail Road won't be going ahead. "The good news is, your worship, the proponent has withdrawn his application, and I thank god for that," Tilley said. Earlier this year, Jack Axes Inc. announced it hoped to set up shop in town. Since starting in Ontario a decade ago, axe-throwing has expanded across the country as a competitive hobby. Quidi Vidi Brewery was supposed to be the supplier for the in-house bar.

TELEGRAM -OPINION - No comment

Journalists of a certain vintage will recall an era of transparency in this province very much unlike our own. Even a couple of decades ago, political reporting had a dramatically different feel.

At almost any time of the day or night, you could get a cabinet minister on the phone. You might get a stream of bafflegab or, depending on the proximity to cocktail hour, a palpable tone of annoyance. But such after-hours calls were not unusual.

One short-lived Telegram reporter once called then St. John's mayor Andy Wells in the wee hours of the morning to glean an important clarification: "You are the mayor of St. John's, right?"

You can imagine the roar from the earpiece.

These days, we live in a time when prepared statements often replace interviews, and getting a cell number is unheard of, let alone a home number.

To some extent, this is a product of journalism's success. When media stopped settling for any old quote, subjects got dodgy. Just what are these jackals looking for, anyway? Go back to your newsroom and leave us alone.

A reader recently asked why we let people get away with not answering questions. It's an odd query. Have you ever seen a reporter at a scrum repeating a question three or four times in a row, as if the subject will magically break under pressure? It looks ridiculous.

Some reporters are good at rephrasing a question to catch the interviewee off guard. Sometimes it works; usually it doesn't.

Anna Maria Tremonti, host of CBC Radio's "The Current," conducted a memorable phone interview with Henry Kissinger a few years back. Kissinger, former secretary of state to Richard Nixon, is considered by many to have helped orchestrate war crimes in South America during upheavals there in the 1960s and '70s.

When Tremonti broached the subject, she got an abrupt reply: "That is one of those questions on which one ends the interview." Click. There are, of course, other means to gather information: sources, archives and access-to-information requests, to name a few. But when all you get is "I have no comment," that line of pursuit is pretty well done.

Some journalists are good at poking the bear, getting the goods despite resistance. Then again, some are good at writing gripping portraits or bringing sporting events alive.

But short of injecting someone with sodium barbital, there's little you can do when the canary won't sing.

If "no comment" is the route they want to take, then they've sealed their fate one way or another. And most of the time, they realize that.

TELEGRAM - OPINION - Council spouts heritage hot air

The amount of hot air that circulates in St. John's regarding heritage is surely contributing to climate change.

Certainly it is blowing around so much that the general populace is distracted by all the noise it makes as it blows past them, so they don't even notice what is going on. Not until the dust settles that is, and then we are faced with the stark reality of yet another fiasco about a valuable heritage building being demolished.

The fact is, politicians here have learned that if they say something often enough and loud enough, people believe them. So when they say that they care about "heritage" and the cultural importance of heritage buildings, the citizens here actually think that is true; the citizens think that the politicians mean what they say, and then the citizens leave it to the governing bodies to make all the important decisions. That can work sometimes, but it isn't working here in St. John's.

The latest episode in the ongoing saga of "The Heritage Travesties of St. John's" is about Richmond Cottage. This term cottage for these big old mansions is fascinating in and of itself: Richmond Cottage, Rock Cottage, Baird Cottage. What? Why is a mansion called a cottage? But that's another story.

This fantastic building, Richmond Cottage, will face the wrecking ball, unless a knight or two in shining armour gallops in to save it.

This wonderful structure is a perfect example of the Georgian Revival period of the late 1800s in North America. It is an important building in the history of architecture here, if nothing else.

Do we hear the sound of galloping hooves yet, approaching through the billows of heritage hot air blowing? Annemarie Christie St. John's

VOCM - Councillor Calls on Province to Twin TCH to Clareville

Tuesday , March 29 2016 | 9:03:39 AM

A St. John's city councillor is calling on the provincial government to spend the money and divide the highway as far west as Clareville.

Sandy Hickman posted a tweet last week asking 'what is it going to take for the government to twin the highway from Whitbourne to Clareville?' He also linked the premier to that post.

<http://www.vocm.com/newsarticle.asp?mn=2&id=61519&latest=1>

VOCM - Coyote Sightings in Airport Heights Prompt Meeting

Tuesday , March 29 2016 | 9:03:10 AM

Recent coyote sightings in the Airport Heights area of St. John's have people talking, and a city councillor is arranging a public information session to help set fears at ease.

Sheilagh O'Leary says coyotes are becoming part of the urban landscape and there are certain measures people can take to avoid attracting the animals.

<http://www.vocm.com/newsarticle.asp?mn=2&id=61508&latest=1>

CBC East Coast Morning Show - Tue, March 29, 2016

SAVING MONEY ON SNOW CLEARING: The City of St. John's has come up with a way to save more than \$2 million this year and next and it involves changing the approach to snow clearing and laying off dozens of employees. ["Danny Breen", Councillor]

REACTION TO CUTS: Nearly 50 jobs are on the chopping block at St. John's City Hall. Some of those will be by people who do snow clearing and road repairs. ["Terry Bennett", President CUPE Local 569]

CBC 7am News - Tue, March 29, 2016

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CBC 8am News - Tue, March 29, 2016

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CITY OF ST. JOHN'S TO CUT PUBLIC WORKS JOBS: The City of St. John's is cutting over forty unionized positions from winter and summer road maintenance. Council insists the changes will not affect service levels. Public Works Chair "Danny Breen" spoke with the media following yesterday's meeting. ["Reporters"]

UNION REACTION TO JOB CUTS: One of the stores from our community this morning, VOXM first told you yesterday the City of St. John's cutting over 40 unionized positions from winter and summer road maintenance. Council insists the changes will not affect service levels. ["Terry Bennett", Union Spokesman]

Media Headlines - March 28, 2016

VOXM - 'More Cuts Coming' after 48 St. John's Positions Eliminated

Monday , March 28 2016 | 5:52:18 AM

As VOXM News first told you yesterday, the City of St. John's is cutting over forty unionized positions from winter and summer road maintenance.

Council insists the changes will not affect service levels, but the union representing outside workers isn't so certain.

A total of 43 outside workers and five management are being let go, a move which will save \$700,000 this year and \$1.3 million every year thereafter.

<http://www.voxm.com/newsarticle.asp?mn=2&id=61507&latest=1>

CBC - Dozens to be laid off in St. John's; mayor warns more to come

St. John's city council voted Monday to lay off some outside workers, after the department of public works recommended cutting staff by 48 positions.

Council voted during Monday's weekly meeting to cut four management and 33 unionized positions during the 16-week winter season.

One management and 10 unionized positions during the summer season will also be cut.

<http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/newfoundland-labrador/st-johns-outside-workers-proposed-layoffs-1.3509276>

CBC - Nothing new about private loans in St. John's, one advisor says

One prominent investment advisor in St. John's says there's nothing new about high-rate, private loans between wealthy people in the city.

Larry Short, an investor with HollisWealth in Newfoundland, said the practice is pretty common in the capital city, and said he has even had clients express interest for lending money through his office.

<http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/newfoundland-labrador/private-loans-business-stjohns-common-1.3505719>

CBC - Sandy Hickman urges government to put dividers on TCH

After five people died in a tragic collision last week, a St. John's city councillor is urging government to put a divider on a stretch of the Trans-Canada Highway that has had at least its share of collisions and dangerous encounters.

<http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/newfoundland-labrador/sandy-hickman-tch-dividers-1.3509383>

CBC - St. John's Annex under construction until December

Construction on the City of St. John's Annex begins Monday and will continue until December 2016.

The renovations to the building across from city hall will include upgrading the roof structure, replacing the building envelope and repairing the pedway that connects the annex to city hall on the other side of New Gower Street.

<http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/newfoundland-labrador/annex-city-hall-construction-1.3509275>

VOCM Open Line - Mon, March 28, 2016

POSSIBLE LAYOFFS COMING FOR ST. JOHN'S OUTSIDE WORKERS: Host Preamble - There's a recommendation before St. John's City Council to lay off close to 50 outside workers - the ones who plow the roads in winter and patch potholes in summer.

CITY OF ST. JOHN'S CUTS: "Randy" is concerned that the City of St. John's is planning to cut 40 outside public worker jobs. He wonders if there were other areas which the City could have cut from instead. If those workers are short people during their shifts, the workers who are not let go are going to end up working extra hours to try and catch up on the work. Randy wonders where the cuts are going to stop. He feels if finances were in such disarray in a regular company, the people in charge of the money would be fired.

VOCM 1pm News - Mon, March 28, 2016

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CALL TO REVIEW MAIL-IN BALLOT SYSTEM FOR CITY OF ST. JOHN'S: A St. John's city councillor elected in a recent by-election is appealing to the minister of municipal affairs to review the mail-in ballot system.

VOCM Back Talk - Mon, March 28, 2016

JOB BEING LOST: Host preamble. Fifty workers are set to lose their jobs with the City of St. John's. These are the people who do maintenance like fixing potholes. It's never good for somebody to lose their job.

CBC 5pm News - Mon, March 28, 2016

CALL TO IMPROVE SAFETY ON TCH: A St. John's City Councillor says it's time for the government to make a section of the Trans-Canada Highway safer. ["Sandy Hickman", St. John's City Councillor]

POSSIBLE JOB CUTS AT ST. JOHN'S CITY HALL: Almost fifty jobs may be on the chopping block at St. John's City Hall.

CBC 6pm News - Mon, March 28, 2016

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VOCM Evening News - Mon, March 28, 2016

CITY JOB CUTS: Shift optimization with the City of St. John's means 48 jobs have been cut from the City's snow and sidewalk clearing shifts.

CBC Here & Now - Mon, March 28, 2016

ST. JOHN'S COUNCIL VOTES IN FAVOUR OF JOB CUTS: St. John's City Council voted in favour of eliminating almost fifty jobs in the Roads Division.

CALL FOR HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENTS & EXPANSION: It has been almost a week and, if you saw the pictures, it's hard to shake them out of your memory. An accident last Tuesday morning killed five people. ["Sandy Hickman", St. John's City Councillor]

NTV Evening Newshour - Mon, March 28, 2016

ST. JOHN'S COUNCIL TO VOTE ON JOB CUT PROPOSAL: Jobs are on the chopping block tonight in the city of St. John's.

CITY COUNCIL VOTES IN FAVOUR OF REDUCING PUBLIC WORKS JOBS: The St. John's City Council voted tonight in favour of resucing 48 jobs in public works, with a lot of those jobs being in snow clearing. ["Terry Bennett, President of CUPE Local; "Danny Breen", St. John's City Councillor]

<http://ntv.ca/st-johns-city-council-votes-to-cut-48-jobs/>

THE CARTER FILE: Job cuts at City Hall - 48 positions to disappear after a vote that happened today at St. John's' weekly council meeting. Most of the cuts - 33 unionized, 4 management - will disappear from the winter roster of snow clearing and the like. Another 11 jobs for the summer season. ["Danny Breen", Chair of the Public Works Committee]

VOCM Night Line - Mon, March 28, 2016

MUNICIPAL MONDAY: Host preamble. This is Municipal Monday and Jonathan welcomes "Craig Pollett" of Municipalities NL and "Dave Lane", St. John's City Councillor to the studio. They discuss the City layoffs and the logic behind these outside workers being let go due to shift optimization. Councillor Lane comments on the full program review they are undertaking to determine how they can save costs while maintaining the same level of service.

TRANSPORTATION ISSUE: "Sandy Hickman", St. John's City Councillor is calling to talk about a transportation issue. He comments the TCH and how it should be twinned from St. John's to Clarenville because of safety concerns. He discusses how the area has become more industrialized due to the Bull Arm project.

OUTSIDE WORKERS LAYOFFS: "Danny Breen", St. John's City Councillor is calling to talk about the laying off of outside workers. He comments on the reasons for this move and how staff feels they can meet the targets for service. Jonathan reads a tweet from Media Mike about how alarming it is to think there could be so many layoffs without impact to services and Councillor Breen says they are constantly reviewing all the services so that they can improve on what they are doing.

RICHMOND COTTAGE: Councillor "Dave Lane" discusses Richmond Cottage which is a heritage property that has been deteriorating over the years. He says they are working on the situation and will give updates as they go along.



Richmond Cottage - letter to the editor - The Telegram - March 29, 2016

Ken O'Brien to: Sylvester Crocker, Peter Mercer, Arthur MacDonald

2016/03/29 11:17 AM

TELEGRAM - OPINION - Council spouts heritage hot air

The amount of hot air that circulates in St. John's regarding heritage is surely contributing to climate change.

Certainly it is blowing around so much that the general populace is distracted by all the noise it makes as it blows past them, so they don't even notice what is going on. Not until the dust settles that is, and then we are faced with the stark reality of yet another fiasco about a valuable heritage building being demolished.

The fact is, politicians here have learned that if they say something often enough and loud enough, people believe them. So when they say that they care about "heritage" and the cultural importance of heritage buildings, the citizens here actually think that is true; the citizens think that the politicians mean what they say, and then the citizens leave it to the governing bodies to make all the important decisions. That can work sometimes, but it isn't working here in St. John's.

The latest episode in the ongoing saga of "The Heritage Travesties of St. John's" is about Richmond Cottage. This term cottage for these big old mansions is fascinating in and of itself: Richmond Cottage, Rock Cottage, Baird Cottage. What? Why is a mansion called a cottage? But that's another story.

This fantastic building, Richmond Cottage, will face the wrecking ball, unless a knight or two in shining armour gallops in to save it.

This wonderful structure is a perfect example of the Georgian Revival period of the late 1800s in North America. It is an important building in the history of architecture here, if nothing else.

Do we hear the sound of galloping hooves yet, approaching through the billows of heritage hot air blowing?

Annemarie Christie, St. John's



Emailing: 154 New Cove Road - DESIGNATION Decision Note -.docx

Arthur MacDonald to: Donna L Mullett

2016/03/29 11:59 AM

Hi Donna,

Enclosed is a Decision Note for the Planning and Development Committee.

Thanks,

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154 New Cove Road - DESIGNATION Decision Note -.docx

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Thank You

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Cheryl L Mullett to: Kevin Breen
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2016/03/29 04:49 PM

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City Solicitor
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Re: 154 New Cove Road
Jason Sinyard to: Cheryl L Mullett
Cc: Kevin Breen, Andrew Woodland

2016/03/29 06:14 PM

We do have 90 days but there is no need to take 90 days as the research has already been done on the property and BHEP are recommending designation. This will go to April 19 Planning Committee and then on to council for a decision on designation.

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Steinhauer Property - 154 New Cove Road

Kevin Breen to: Council_group

Cc: Cheryl L Mullett, Jason Sinyard

2016/03/30 09:12 AM

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Re: Steinhauer Property - 154 New Cove Road
Sheilagh O'Leary to: Kevin Breen
Cc: Council_group, Cheryl L Mullett, Jason Sinyard

2016/03/30 09:23 AM

Kevin,
Thank you for this update and for being proactive on the 90 day delay.
Regards,
Sheilagh

Sent from my iPhone

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Re: Steinhauer Property - 154 New Cove Road
Tom Hann to: Kevin Breen

2016/03/30 09:36 AM

I don't think we can win this nor force heritage designation. Delaying could also put us in a vulnerable situation. This could be costly for the city. Will call you later

Sent from my iPad

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BHEP - Report and Minutes

Kenessa Cutler to: Arthur MacDonald, Ken O'Brien, Glenn Barnes

2016/03/30 02:55 PM

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Kenessa Cutler
Legislative Assistant
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RE: BHEP - Report and Minutes
Glenn Barnes to: 'Kenessa Cutler'

2016/03/30 03:25 PM

History:

This message has been replied to.

Don't forget my clarification re Celtic Hearth it's the 'Projecting eyebrow' lights we want removed with the soffit recessed pot lights permitted to be retained.



From: Kenessa Cutler [mailto:kcutler@stjohns.ca]

Sent: March 30, 2016 2:55 PM

To: Arthur MacDonald <amacdonald@stjohns.ca>; Ken O'Brien <kobrien@stjohns.ca>; Glenn Barnes <glennbarnes.architecture@bellaliant.net>

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Re: BHEP - Question of potential heritage designation for 154 New Cove Road

Dave Lane to: Ken O'Brien

2016/03/31 07:32 AM

Cc: Jason Sinyard

Thanks Ken,

I guess I just misunderstood how things were proceeding at the time. Perhaps we can chat briefly before or after the Richmond Cottage meeting today!

Dave

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Dave Lane

Councillor at Large, St. John's

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On Mar 24, 2016, at 12:07, Ken O'Brien <kobrien@stjohns.ca> wrote:

Councillor, I'm not sure what you mean by jumping the gun. The 90-day period (see below) begins once the application to demolish is submitted. After 90 days, if Council has not designated a building as a heritage building, then a demolition permit may be issued (and unless there is some other factor in play, there is no reason why the City would not issue the permit). Within the 90 days, if Council votes against designation, that also leads to a demolition permit.

We already have a statement of significance from the Heritage Foundation of NL. The building merits provincial designation, so municipal designation would not seem to be out of place if it were to occur.

Ken

City of St. John's Act - excerpt

355 (7) The council may withhold a permit respecting the application for demolition of a building for a period

not exceeding
90 days
pending the
enactment of
a by-law
under this
section, and
where a
by-law is
enacted
within that
period, the
application
shall stand
refused; and
compensation
shall not be
payable with
respect to a
loss or
damage
suffered by
the refusal.

355 (8)

Where a
by-law
referred to in
subsection (7)
is not enacted
within the
period of 90
days, then the
permit may be
issued subject
to compliance
with the
relevant
provisions of
this Act and

by-laws.

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Ken O'Brien, MCIP | Chief Municipal Planner

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Dave Lane---2016/03/24 11:48:26 AM---From: Dave Lane/CSJ To: Ken O'Brien/CSJ@csj

From: Dave Lane/CSJ

To: Ken O'Brien/CSJ@csj

Date: 2016/03/24 11:48 AM

Subject: Re: BHEP meeting - 154 New Cove Road

Great. One thing we encountered with Winter PI was that we jumped the gun by recommending designation before asking for the 90 days to explore the property and determine its significance. I really think we should take that route as apparently if it gets designated before that process we would be not following the by-laws properly

Thoughts?

Dave

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Dave Lane

Councillor at Large, St. John's

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On Mar 22, 2016, at 10:53 AM, Jason Sinyard <JSinyard@stjohns.ca> wrote:

Mayor O'Keefe & Members of Council,

Please be advised that the owner of 154 New Cove Road has applied for a demolition

permit. While not a municipally designated heritage building it is a provincially designated building. This matter is being referred to this week's Built Heritage Experts Panel. This has the potential for substantial public and media interest and is therefore provided for the information of Council.

On a related note, staff are preparing a heritage incentive proposal which should be complete by early May for review by the BHEP and the Finance Committee. Once it is determined what, if any, financial incentives are available for owners of designated buildings staff will be approaching the owners of significant buildings to determine if they wish to have their buildings designated.

Regards,

Jason

Jason Sinyard, P.Eng., MBA
Deputy City Manager
Planning, Development & Engineering
City of St. John's



Fw: 154 New Cove Road - Bryn Mawr House
Arthur MacDonald to: andrea
Cc: Ken O'Brien

2016/03/31 09:22 AM

Hi Andrea,

Please acknowledge receipt of this e-mail.

I'm not sure of the process regarding provincially designated properties, and I would appreciate your comments regarding the Foundation's intent (or the process involved) with regards to the pending demolition of 154 New Cove Road.

It appears, by Section 18 of the Historic Resources Act that the Minister's consent is required. Section 18 is outlined below:

"Damage to site

18. A person shall not, except with the written consent of the minister,

(a) move, destroy, damage, deface, alter, add to, mark or interfere with; and

(b) remove from a provincial historic site, registered provincial cultural resource, significant palaeontological site of the province,

an archaeological object, significant fossil, building, monument, thing or other structure located on, in or under a provincial historic site, registered provincial cultural resource or significant palaeontological site."

Please advise as this matter will be discussed at our next Planning and Development Standing Committee meeting.

Thank you,

Regards,

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From: Arthur MacDonald/CSJ
To: andrea@heritage foundation.ca
Date: 2016/03/24 09:11 AM
Subject: 154 New Cove Road - Bryn Mawr House

Hi Andrea,

Just a note in the spirit of cooperation that the City has received an application to demolish 154 New Cove Road, the Bryn Mawr House, a provincially registered Heritage Building.

If you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact me.

For your information -

Regards,

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154 New Cove Road
Arthur MacDonald to: Donna L Mullett

2016/03/31 02:55 PM

Hi Donna,

How are we making out with the Decision Note on 154 New Cove Road?

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Re: 154 New Cove Road 
Donna L Mullett to: Arthur MacDonald

2016/03/31 03:25 PM

They are not due for a week so I am trying to clear up a few other things first, hopefully I will be able to start tomorrow

Donna L. Mullett
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Arthur MacDonald

Hi Donna, How are we making out with the Deci...

2016/03/31 02:55:26 PM

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Date: 2016/03/31 02:55 PM
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Bryn Mawr

Sheila [REDACTED] to: soleary

2016/04/01 08:46 AM

Good Morning Councillor O'Leary,

I am writing to you now about a matter that is causing me considerable disgust and dismay. I've heard that Bryn Mawr has had an application for demolition. I am concerned because this council has an awful tendency to allow such atrocities. I don't know or even really care who wants to demolish this beautiful piece of St. John's history, they can't have a very nice way of thinking. I simply know that the more of this that is allowed to happen, the more developers will request such things. They only see money, not beauty, history, or culture. There won't be much point of living here as far as I'm concerned, if there is nothing left to this place that makes it St. John's.

Thank you,

Sheila [REDACTED]

STC



Bryn Mawr Cottage
Jeremy [REDACTED] to: soleary

2016/04/01 09:25 AM

Dear Sheilagh,

Thanks for the message on Twitter. I recall about a year and a half ago hearing that a demolition permit had been submitted for 25 Winter Avenue. I thought it was ridiculous that somebody would entertain tearing down that house, but I rested easy that night trusting that the existing municipal and community networks obviously would not allow it. I don't want to make the same mistake this time around.

My professional background is outside the world of heritage. I studied philosophy and biology as an undergrad and epidemiology and public health in graduate school while conducting research on colorectal cancer and inflammatory bowel disease. I currently develop software for geological data analysis for a company in St. John's. My girlfriend, [REDACTED], is on the board of the NL Historic Trust (I am also a member). She has a master's degree in Historic Preservation from the University of Pennsylvania, and was previously the Architectural Historian for the City of Boston's Landmark's Commission. While living in Boston together, I think we came to assume that all cities have strong preservation departments legally empowered with teeth. In Boston, for example, all demolitions have to be approved by the Landmarks Commission. If the building is just some shed, it get's approved immediately. If it might have historic value, a demolition delay is triggered, which sets in motion public hearings and an official recommendation from the Commission and review by Council. City Council, having broad authority to act in the public good, could of course go against the Commission's recommendation. But they never do.

Let me know if you have any ideas on how we can help regarding Bryn Mawr. I previously spoke with you briefly following the Ward 4 debate, just asking a quick question about the merits of making the demolition permit process more difficult. I'll be helping with the NL Historic trust as well. In the spirit of constructive criticism, I sometimes find the Trust's board to act with too much caution. Sometimes a more provocative approach is necessary if the goal is to engage the public and apply political pressure.

Kind regards,
Jeremy

Jeremy [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]



Fw: INT1600026 - 154 New Cove Road - Bryn Mawr ("Big Hill") house demolition

Ken O'Brien to: Arthur MacDonald
Cc: Andrea Roberts, Gerard Doran, Dave Wadden

2016/04/01 10:49 AM

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----- Forwarded by Ken O'Brien/CSJ on 2016/04/01 10:48 AM -----

From: Andrea Roberts/CSJ
To: Ken O'Brien/CSJ@CSJ
Date: 2016/03/24 03:43 PM
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Hi Ken,

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Thanks

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RE: 154 New Cove Road - Bryn Mawr House
Andrea O'Brien to: 'Arthur MacDonald'
Cc: jerry

2016/04/01 11:09 AM

History: This message has been replied to.

Hi Arthur,

Thanks for sending this along. I have cc'ed our executive director as well and he will touch base with you on this.

Andrea

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From: Arthur MacDonald [<mailto:amacdonald@stjohns.ca>]
Sent: March 31, 2016 9:22 AM
To: andrea
Cc: Ken O'Brien
Subject: Fw: 154 New Cove Road - Bryn Mawr House

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Please advise as this matter will be discussed at our next Planning and Development Standing Committee meeting.

Thank you,

Regards,

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CBC News : Demolition permit application submitted to demolish Bryn Mawr in St. John's

Katherine [REDACTED] to: Dave Lane

2016/04/01 12:54 PM

History:

This message has been replied to.

Hello Dave Lane,

Are you able to discuss?

Katherine [REDACTED]

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According to the Newfoundland and Labrador Historic Trust, an application for a demolition permit has been submitted to the city to demolish Bryn Mawr, also known as Baird's Cottage, located off New Cove Road.

<http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/newfoundland-labrador/heritage-buildings-demolish-bryn-mawr-1.3516311>



Image-1.jpg



Re: Fw: INT1600026 - 154 New Cove Road - Bryn Mawr ("Big Hill") house demolition

Arthur MacDonald to: Ken O'Brien

2016/04/01 01:00 PM

Hi Ken,

Thanks - I see under the file that it was assigned to me, but when I look under "My Workload" it doesn't show up. I will contact Jess to see what the issue is.

Regards,

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RE: 154 New Cove Road - Bryn Mawr House 
Arthur MacDonald to: Andrea O'Brien

2016/04/01 01:15 PM

Hi Andrea,

I did meet with George yesterday (His Last Day of Work) at a meeting for Richmond Cottage and he helped to explain the process. He advised that if they applied for a grant, than an easement or covenant would be filed at the registry, running with the title of the land, that provides more authority for preservation. However, if the building is designated provincially with no funding, than they are limited in their abilities to preserve the building.

In any event, I would like to continue with our communication relationship and, as long as you don't mind, I will continue to keep you informed of any applications we receive on provincially designated heritage buildings.

I would like to hear what your Executive Director has to say, especially if it is any different than what is outlined above.

Thank you,

Regards,

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"Andrea O'Brien"

[Hi Arthur, Thanks for sending this along. I have...](#)

2016/04/01 11:09:29 AM

From: "Andrea O'Brien" <andrea@heritagefoundation.ca>
To: "Arthur MacDonald" <amacdonald@stjohns.ca>
Cc: <jerry@heritagefoundation.ca>
Date: 2016/04/01 11:09 AM
Subject: RE: 154 New Cove Road - Bryn Mawr House

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154 New Cove Road Demolition

Arthur MacDonald to: Govern PDE Multi Media Mail

2016/04/01 01:20 PM

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From: Jerry Dick <jerry@heritagefoundation.ca>
To: amacdonald@stjohns.ca
Cc: Michael Philpott <michael@heritagefoundation.ca>, Andrea O'Brien <andrea@heritagefoundation.ca>
Date: 2016/04/01 11:33 AM
Subject: property at New Cove Road

Hi Arthur:

Thanks for your email. As Andrea mentioned, I am new to the executive director job this week. I have come from the provincial government where I was Director of Heritage.

In practice, the Historic Resources Act provides little protection for designated Registered Heritage Structures, particularly if they have not received a grant and there is no easement on the property. While the minister can, under the act, put a stop work order on activities that would negatively impact a heritage property, this has never, to my knowledge, been used in the instance of buildings.

I have had some preliminary discussions here in the office on this. I think that we need to get out ahead of the issue of the development of larger heritage properties. Right now everyone is in a reactionary mode which generally does not yield success. I would like to meet with stakeholders (e.g., Newfoundland Historic Trust, the City, and others) to explore options for working with owners/developers of historic properties to develop historic structures. There are lots of successful case studies and models for undertaking this kind of work.

We're going to try to set up a meeting asap to explore this. Any suggestions for who should be at this meeting would be much appreciated.

In the mean time, I would love to get together with you to discuss heritage issues more generally and how we can work together. We could meet in one of our offices or for lunch.

Cheers,

Jerry

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Baird Cottage/Bryn Mawr
Ally Baird to: dokeefe

2016/04/01 01:38 PM

Mayor O'Keefe,

I respectfully ask that St. John's city council protect this property and designate it as a heritage property. This council is not doing enough to protect what makes our city unique...the beauty and history of properties such as Baird Cottage. Do not allow the destruction of a property that was built by my family over 100 years ago. Not only would I personally be devastated to see it torn down but I fear for the future of our city if this is allowed.

Please, protect Baird Cottage and properties like it. Once they are gone that's it, we will have nothing left. I love this city and it pains me to see our history destroyed because of greed.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,
Ally Baird

<http://www.heritage.nf.ca/articles/society/bryn-mawr.php>

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Baird Cottage/Bryn Mawr
Ally Baird to: rellsworth

2016/04/01 01:40 PM

History:

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Mr. Ellsworth,

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Baird Cottage/ Bryn Mawr
Ally Baird to: soleary

2016/04/01 01:45 PM

Dear Ms. O'Leary,

I appreciate your attention to this matter on social media and I'm taking your advice to email all councillors. I am forwarding each of them my thoughts, which are as follows...

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Baird Cottage/ Bryn Mawr
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Baird Cottage/ Bryn Mawr
Ally Baird to: shickman

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Baird Cottage/ Bryn Mawr
Ally Baird to: dlane

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Baird Cottage/ Bryn Mawr
Ally Baird to: apuddister

2016/04/01 01:50 PM

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**Demolition permit application submitted to demolish Bryn Mawr in St . John's -
Newfoundland & Labrador - CBC News**

Amy Flight to: soleary@stjohns.ca

2016/04/01 02:02 PM

Good afternoon Sheilagh,

I have included the link to a CBC article published today relating to the permit submitted to the city to demolish Bryn Mawr historic property and wanted to contact you as my Ward Councillor to express my serious concerns regarding this permit application.

<http://www.cbc.ca/beta/news/canada/newfoundland-labrador/heritage-buildings-demolish-bryn-mawr-1.3516311>

Once again, the city is being asked to place development before heritage and culture, to the detriment of the fabric of our city. The property in question was designated a Historic Property in 1993 and any permit to demolish should be rejected by the city on this basis alone. That being said, a permit to demolish leads one to believe that development (residential mid-high density) serves as the motivation to demolish this property. This area of New Cove-Portugal Cove Road is already a very high density area with many condominium buildings and if the planned demolition is related to future development in this area, this also needs to be taken into consideration. To demolish this historically significant property to build yet another condo building in this area would be a short-sighted decision on the part of the City Council.

I hope that when this permit is tabled for voting at a future Council meeting, that you will advocate strongly to save this property from demolition.

Thank you in advance,
Amy Flight

Sent from my iPhone



Re: Baird Cottage/Bryn Mawr
Ally Baird to: Ron Ellsworth

2016/04/01 02:19 PM

History:

This message has been replied to.

Thank you for your prompt response!

While I appreciate a delay, I have seen that the property is reported as being in excellent condition. I see no reason to delay, it should be designated a heritage property and spared demolition immediately.

It is indeed a property that is of great value to our community and should be treated as such for many, many years to come.

Ally



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Re: Baird Cottage/ Bryn Mawr
Tom Hann to: Ally Baird

2016/04/01 02:26 PM

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Sent from my iPad

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Re: Baird Cottage/ Bryn Mawr
Tom Hann to: Ally Baird

2016/04/01 02:37 PM

I have not seen the application it has not been brought before council and I understand there could be legal implications for the city I would prefer to not see it demolished will wait to get details to make my decision

Sent from my iPad

On Apr 1, 2016, at 2:34 PM, Ally Baird [REDACTED] > wrote:

Are you personally opposed to the demolition or will you support the application to tear down this property?

[REDACTED]

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2016/04/01 02:46 PM

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Re: Baird Cottage
Sandy Hickman to: Stuart Baird

2016/04/01 02:50 PM

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Sent from my iPhone

On Apr 1, 2016, at 2:48 PM, Stuart Baird [REDACTED]

Will this be allowed to happen?

Cheers,
Stuart

<http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/newfoundland-labrador/heritage-buildings-demolish-bryn-ma-wr-1.3516311>



RE: Baird Cottage
Stuart Baird to: 'Sandy Hickman'

2016/04/01 02:52 PM

History:

This message has been replied to.

Are the Heritage crowd fighting it. I haven't seen much in media.

Thanks,
Stuart

From: Sandy Hickman [mailto:SHickman@stjohns.ca]
Sent: April-01-16 2:51 PM
To: Stuart Baird [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: Baird Cottage

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Sent from my iPhone

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Baird Cottage on New Cove Road
Mark Hoffe to: citycouncil

2016/04/01 03:00 PM

City Council,

Do the right thing. Reject the application to demolish Baird Cottage. Make it a heritage structure.
Save what's left of the city's historic buildings and pride.

Thanks,
Mark



Bryn Mawr

Peter Jackson to: Dave Lane, Sandy Hickman, Sheilagh O'Leary, george

2016/04/01 03:11 PM

Apparently they are already stripping out interiors of the house. Can they do that without demo permit? Can anything be done now? This is a registered heritage property!!!! They don't even wait for permit? Will it be bulldozed Monday? Come on. Enough already. Every house on significant land is in danger now.



RE: 154 New Cove Road - Bryn Mawr House
Andrea O'Brien to: 'Arthur MacDonald'

2016/04/01 03:32 PM

I would like to keep the line of communication open between the City and the Foundation as well. 😊

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From: Arthur MacDonald [<mailto:amacdonald@stjohns.ca>]
Sent: April 1, 2016 1:15 PM
To: Andrea O'Brien
Subject: RE: 154 New Cove Road - Bryn Mawr House

Hi Andrea,

I did meet with George yesterday (His Last Day of Work) at a meeting for Richmond Cottage and he helped to explain the process. He advised that if they applied for a grant, than an easement or covenant would be filed at the registry, running with the title of the land, that provides more authority for preservation. However, if the building is designated provincially with no funding, than they are limited in their abilities to preserve the building.

In any event, I would like to continue with our communication relationship and, as long as you don't mind, I will continue to keep you informed of any applications we receive on provincially designated heritage buildings.

I would like to hear what your Executive Director has to say, especially if it is any different than what is outlined above.

Thank you,

Regards,

Arthur MacDonald MCIP
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From: "Andrea O'Brien" <andrea@heritagefoundation.ca>
To: "Arthur MacDonald" <amacdonald@stjohns.ca>
Cc: <jerry@heritagefoundation.ca>
Date: 2016/04/01 11:09 AM
Subject: RE: 154 New Cove Road - Bryn Mawr House

Hi Arthur,
Thanks for sending this along. I have cc'ed our executive director as well and he will touch base with you on this.
Andrea

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From: Arthur MacDonald [<mailto:amacdonald@stjohns.ca>]

Sent: March 31, 2016 9:22 AM

To: andrea
Cc: Ken O'Brien
Subject: Fw: 154 New Cove Road - Bryn Mawr House

Hi Andrea,

Please acknowledge receipt of this e-mail.

I'm not sure of the process regarding provincially designated properties, and I would appreciate your comments regarding the Foundation's intent (or the process involved) with regards to the pending demolition of 154 New Cove Road.

It appears, by Section 18 of the Historic Resources Act that the Minister's consent is required. Section 18 is outlined below:

"Damage to site

18. A person shall not, except with the written consent of the minister,

(a) move, destroy, damage, deface, alter, add to, mark or interfere with; and

(b) remove from a provincial historic site, registered provincial cultural resource, significant palaeontological site of the province,

an archaeological object, significant fossil, building, monument, thing or other structure located on, in or under a provincial historic site, registered provincial cultural resource or significant palaeontological site."

Please advise as this matter will be discussed at our next Planning and Development Standing Committee meeting.

Thank you,

Regards,

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----- Forwarded by Arthur MacDonald/CSJ on 2016/03/31 09:12 AM -----

From: Arthur MacDonald/CSJ
To: andrea@heritage foundation.ca
Date: 2016/03/24 09:11 AM
Subject: 154 New Cove Road - Bryn Mawr House

Hi Andrea,

Just a note in the spirit of cooperation that the City has received an application to demolish 154 New Cove Road, the Bryn Mawr House, a provincially registered Heritage Building.

If you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact me.

For your information -

Regards,

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Letter about Bryn Mawr
Rachel Houser-Guy to: soleary

2016/04/01 03:36 PM

History:

This message has been replied to.

Hi Sheilagh,

Where and to who do I send my letter about Bryn Mawr?

Thanks,

Rachel

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Re: Baird Cottage/Bryn Mawr
Ally Baird to: Ron Ellsworth

2016/04/01 03:37 PM

History:

This message has been replied to.

Thanks so much! I run a home daycare so I'm not able to attend/view council meetings but I'll try to keep up on Twitter.
Have a great weekend :)

allybaird.net

On Apr 1, 2016, at 3:23 PM, Ron Ellsworth <rellsworth@stjohns.ca> wrote:

I am not sure that's correct . Let me check on it Monday

Sent from my iPhone

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Save Bryn Mawr
James Baird to: dokeefe

2016/04/01 03:55 PM

History:

This message has been replied to.

It is ridiculous that Bryn Mawr has not been designated a heritage property.

The City should immediately move to make it one.

James Baird



Bryn Mawr
Claire Carew to: citycouncil

2016/04/01 04:00 PM

Good Afternoon,

I am writing City Council to express my concerns with the demolition permit application submitted from Wrightland Development Corporation for the destruction of the Bryn Mawr Heritage Property in St. John's.

I implore you to reject/deny the application.

The strong reaction of City Residents to the destruction of the beautiful historic home on Winter Avenue must surely still resonate with Council. Not to mention the very sad state of affairs that Richmond Hill Cottage is now in. Such destruction of the City's historic properties must come to an end! While these properties may financially and legally belong to individuals or developers, their history belongs to us all...and **MUST** be maintained.

No one who lives in St. John's, or who comes to visit, wants to tour the vinyl siding clad subdivisions that often times are built to replace these majestic and beautiful historic homes. It is our **HISTORY** and **HERITAGE**, including historical residences like Bryn Mawr, that is of interest and makes our city unique.

I urge you to continue to honour the home's registered heritage status and preserve it (and it's history) for future generations. Please vote against granting the demolition permit.

Regards

Claire Carew



154 new cove road. B1160626 demolition
Bruce Snow to: Sylvester Crocker

2016/04/01 04:13 PM

As requested site inspected building is secure at time of inspection. From what I can see (see photos) through the windows a couple of mantels have been removed and a door from great room to hall. That's all I can see. Email address for contact is. Freds@nl.rogers.com. 6915002. Mildred steinhauser



is the applicant image1.JPG



image2.JPG

Bruce Snow

Sent from my iPhone



Re: INT1600026 - 154 New Cove Road 
Ken O'Brien to: Arthur MacDonald

2016/04/01 04:30 PM

OK, thx. let me know if I have to do something different.

Ken

Arthur MacDonald

Hi Ken, Thanks - I see under the file that it was a...

2016/04/01 01:00:21 PM

From: Arthur MacDonald/CSJ
To: Ken O'Brien/CSJ@CSJ
Date: 2016/04/01 01:00 PM
Subject: Re: Fw: INT1600026 - 154 New Cove Road - Bryn Mawr ("Big Hill") house demolition

Hi Ken,

Thanks - I see under the file that it was assigned to me, but when I look under "My Workload" it doesn't show up. I will contact Jess to see what the issue is.

Regards,

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couple of things
Jerry Dick to: dlane

2016/04/01 04:31 PM

History: This message has been replied to.

Hi Dave:

I'm not sure if you have heard but this week I took over from George Chalker as ED at the Heritage Foundation NL. I am quite pumped about the opportunity. I'd like to sit own over coffee sometime and discuss how the Foundation and the City can work together more to protect and promote heritage. Please let me know of a convenient time.

In the meantime, Bryn Mawr has emerged as an issue as you know. On Monday at 3:00 I am hoping to meet with the NHT and the city's new heritage planner, Arthur here at the Foundation. Feel free to join us if you like. I want to try to find some constructive avenues that will allow us, ideally, to move from a reactionary to a pro-active position with respect to saving and adaptively reusing significant heritage structures.

I look forward to connecting again.

Cheers,

Jerry Dick
Executive Director
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739-1892, ext. 1
jerry@heritagefoundation.ca



Re: property at New Cove Road
Jerry Dick to: Arthur MacDonald

2016/04/01 04:35 PM

History: This message has been replied to.

Arthur:

Would you be available on Monday at 3:00pm to meet with us and reps from the Newfoundland Historic Trust re: Bryn Mawr? We could meet at our office at the corner of Springdale and Water St.

Jerry

On Apr 1, 2016, at 1:42 PM, Arthur MacDonald <amacdonald@stjohns.ca> wrote:

Hi Jerry,

Welcome aboard. As I just mentioned to Andrea, I met George for the first time yesterday at the meeting regarding Richmond Hill - his last day.

I would be very interested in meeting with you to discuss heritage matters. I would also like to mention your stakeholders meeting with our Built Heritage Experts Panel to see if they are interested in participating.

The City is attempting to get ahead of the curve, by looking at the feasibility of registering 87 new properties that have been on our proposed registry list since 1977.

Under our new Municipal Plan we attempted to provide protection to larger sites through the implementation of an overlay zone over those properties containing a designated Heritage Building and imposing a minimum lot size of 930 metres square and minimum lot frontage of 30 metres to discourage prospective developers from buying the properties for new subdivisions. Unfortunately, our legal department would not accept the concept. The Town of Yarmouth, Nova Scotia, was able to do this in their Collins Heritage Conservation District, which I helped to develop. However, the legislation here in NL is not the same.

Looking forward to future conversations.

Have a great weekend,

Regards,

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From: Jerry Dick <jerry@heritagefoundation.ca>
To: amacdonald@stjohns.ca
Cc: Michael Philpott <michael@heritagefoundation.ca>, Andrea O'Brien <andrea@heritagefoundation.ca>
Date: 2016/04/01 11:33 AM
Subject: property at New Cove Road

Hi Arthur:

Thanks for your email. As Andrea mentioned, I am new to the executive director job this week. I have come from the provincial government where I was Director of Heritage.

In practice, the Historic Resources Act provides little protection for designated Registered Heritage Structures, particularly if they have not received a grant and there is no easement on the property. While the minister can, under the act, put a stop work order on activities that would negatively impact a heritage property, this has never, to my knowledge, been used in the instance of buildings.

I have had some preliminary discussions here in the office on this. I think that we need to get out ahead of the issue of the development of larger heritage properties. Right now everyone is in a reactionary mode which generally does not yield success. I would like to meet with stakeholders (e.g., Newfoundland Historic Trust, the City, and others) to explore options for working with owners/developers of historic properties to develop historic structures. There are lots of successful case studies and models for undertaking this kind of work.

We're going to try to set up a meeting asap to explore this. Any suggestions for who should be at this meeting would be much appreciated.

In the mean time, I would love to get together with you to discuss heritage issues more generally and how we can work together. We could meet in one of our offices or for lunch.

Cheers,

Jerry

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154 New Cove Road---demolition application

Sylvester Crocker to: freds

Cc: Jason Sinyard, Bruce Snow, Randy Carew

2016/04/01 04:40 PM

Hi Mr Steinhauer: As per our telephone conversation an application to demolish the building has been made to the City. The application is being reviewed and no permits or approvals have been issued to date by the City. This office has received concerns that some items (fire place mantle and some doors) have been removed from the interior. This is to confirm that no physical work has taken place with respect to demolition of the property that has been authorized by you and some items that are removed were as a result of an illegal break and enter.

Would you please confirm the above and take the necessary measures to ensure that the building is secure to unauthorized persons----thanks

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Fw: 154 New Cove Road---demolition application
Sylvester Crocker to: Sheilagh O'Leary
Cc: Jason Sinyard

2016/04/01 04:41 PM

FYI----inspector says property is secure at present--regards

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Subject: 154 New Cove Road---demolition application

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Re: property at New Cove Road 
Arthur MacDonald to: Jerry Dick

2016/04/01 04:45 PM

Sorry Jerry,

I have a previous meeting scheduled and the applicant has been waiting for quite some time. I might be finished by 3:30 if that works.

Regards,

Arthur MacDonald MCIP
Planner III - Urban Design and Heritage
City of St. John's Department of Planning, Development and Engineering
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Jerry Dick	Arthur: Would you be available on Monday at 3:0...	2016/04/01 04:35:18 PM
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From: Jerry Dick <jerry@heritagefoundation.ca>
To: Arthur MacDonald <amacdonald@stjohns.ca>
Date: 2016/04/01 04:35 PM
Subject: Re: property at New Cove Road

Arthur:

Would you be available on Monday at 3:00pm to meet with us and reps from the Newfoundland Historic Trust re: Bryn Mawr? We could meet at our office at the corner of Springdale and Water St.

Jerry

On Apr 1, 2016, at 1:42 PM, Arthur MacDonald <amacdonald@stjohns.ca> wrote:

Hi Jerry,

Welcome aboard. As I just mentioned to Andrea, I met George for the first time yesterday at the meeting regarding Richmond Hill - his last day.

I would be very interested in meeting with you to discuss heritage matters. I would also like to mention your stakeholders meeting with our Built Heritage Experts Panel to see if they are interested in participating.

The City is attempting to get ahead of the curve, by looking at the feasibility of registering 87 new properties that have been on our proposed registry list since 1977.

Under our new Municipal Plan we attempted to provide protection to larger sites through the implementation of an overlay zone over those properties containing a designated Heritage Building and imposing a minimum lot size of 930 metres square and minimum lot frontage of 30 metres to discourage prospective developers from buying the properties for new subdivisions. Unfortunately, our legal department would not accept the concept. The Town of Yarmouth, Nova Scotia, was able to do this in their Collins Heritage Conservation District, which I helped to develop. However, the legislation here in NL is not the same.

Looking forward to future conversations.

Have a great weekend,

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From: Jerry Dick <jerry@heritagefoundation.ca>
To: amacdonald@stjohns.ca
Cc: Michael Philpott <michael@heritagefoundation.ca>, Andrea O'Brien <andrea@heritagefoundation.ca>
Date: 2016/04/01 11:33 AM
Subject: property at New Cove Road

Hi Arthur:

Thanks for your email. As Andrea mentioned, I am new to the executive

director job this week. I have come from the provincial government where I was Director of Heritage.

In practice, the Historic Resources Act provides little protection for designated Registered Heritage Structures, particularly if they have not received a grant and there is no easement on the property. While the minister can, under the act, put a stop work order on activities that would negatively impact a heritage property, this has never, to my knowledge, been used in the instance of buildings.

I have had some preliminary discussions here in the office on this. I think that we need to get out ahead of the issue of the development of larger heritage properties. Right now everyone is in a reactionary mode which generally does not yield success. I would like to meet with stakeholders (e.g., Newfoundland Historic Trust, the City, and others) to explore options for working with owners/developers of historic properties to develop historic structures. There are lots of successful case studies and models for undertaking this kind of work.

We're going to try to set up a meeting asap to explore this. Any suggestions for who should be at this meeting would be much appreciated.

In the mean time, I would love to get together with you to discuss heritage issues more generally and how we can work together. We could meet in one of our offices or for lunch.

Cheers,

Jerry

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154 New Cove Road - interior demolition? - PDE file INT1600026

Ken O'Brien to: Sylvester Crocker

2016/04/01 04:48 PM

Cc: Sheilagh O'Leary, Peter Mercer, Jason Sinyard, Arthur MacDonald,
Andrea Roberts, Gerard Doran, Dave Wadden

Syl, as we discussed, Jerry Dick of the Heritage Foundation of NL phoned me earlier to report that there may have been some interior demolition at Bryn Mawr. He had a call from a woman who said she could see interior damage at the house, including possible a missing fireplace mantle.

As you advised me, [REDACTED] told you that the family has not authorized any such demolition and this appears to be a break-in and theft.

Thanks, Syl.

Ken

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Art Puddister to: Ally Baird

2016/04/01 05:10 PM

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Sent from my iPad

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Sincerely,
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<http://www.heritage.nf.ca/articles/society/bryn-mawr.php>

[REDACTED]



Re: Bryn Mawr
Art Puddister to: Claire Carew
Cc: citycouncil

2016/04/01 05:13 PM

Thank you for your e mail. I will consider you comments once this matter comes before council.

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Bryn Mawr

Petrina Bromley

to: dokeefe, rellsworth, dbreen, jgalgay, btiley,
soleary, wcollins, thann, shickman, dlane,
apuddister

2016/04/01 05:37 PM

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Re: Bryn Mawr

Sandy Hickman to: Petrina Bromley

2016/04/01 05:40 PM

Dennis O'Keefe, Danny Breen, Jonathan Galgay, Ron Ellsworth, Art
Cc: Puddister, Bruce Tilley, Sheilagh O'Leary, Wally Collins, Tom Hann,
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Thanks for your note Petrina. Good work!

You can be assured of my support for maintaining this structure and designating as a heritage property.
S.

Sandy Hickman
Councillor at large
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-----Petrina Bromley <[REDACTED]>-----

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From: Petrina Bromley <[REDACTED]>

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Re: Letter about Bryn Mawr
Sheilagh O'Leary to: Rachel Houser-Guy

2016/04/01 05:46 PM

Rachel,
It's all on the city website. www.stjohns.ca
All the emails are listed for mayor and councillors.
Thanks
Sheilagh

Sent from my iPhone

On Apr 1, 2016, at 3:36 PM, Rachel Houser-Guy <[REDACTED]> wrote:

Hi Sheilagh,
Where and to who do I send my letter about Bryn Mawr?
Thanks,
Rachel
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Re: Save Bryn Mawr
Sandy Hickman to: James Baird

2016/04/01 05:47 PM

we are going to do our best James. Mrs. Steinhauer has been approached before, apparently, and politely refused. Obviously she still thinks the same today!
So it may be a battle but any public pressure would help.

Sandy
Sandy Hickman
Councillor at large
City of St. John's

-----James Baird [REDACTED] > wrote: -----

To: shickman@stjohns.ca
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Date: 04/01/2016 03:57PM
Subject: Save Bryn Mawr

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~~jb~~



Re: Baird Cottage/ Bryn Mawr
Sandy Hickman to: Ally Baird

2016/04/01 05:55 PM

I will fight to save this home.
thanks for your interest!

Sandy H.
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-----Ally Baird <ally.baird@gmail.com> wrote: -----

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[http://www.heritage\[REDACTED\]](http://www.heritage[REDACTED])

[REDACTED]



Re: Baird Cottage on New Cove Road
Sheilagh O'Leary to: Mark Hoffe

2016/04/01 05:59 PM

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Re: Bryn Mawr
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2016/04/01 06:00 PM

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Re: 154 New Cove Road---demolition application
Sheilagh O'Leary to: Sylvester Crocker

2016/04/01 06:00 PM

Thank you!

Sent from my iPhone

On Apr 1, 2016, at 4:41 PM, Sylvester Crocker <SCrocker@stjohns.ca> wrote:

FYI---inspector says property is secure at present--regards

Sylvester Crocker ,CET
Manager of Technical and Inspection Services
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Re: Baird Cottage on New Cove Road
Sheilagh O'Leary to: Mark Hoffe

2016/04/01 06:07 PM

It's the same developer as Richmond Cottage too!
Heritage incentive recommendations are forthcoming in the next month or so and hopefully, if political will allows, we can see an end to this piecemeal approach to heritage preservation!!
Thanks
Sheilagh

Sent from my iPhone

On Apr 1, 2016, at 6:01 PM, Mark Hoffe <[REDACTED]> wrote:

Thanks Sheilagh. This does not surprise me, but it does inspire me. Thank you. Keep up the good and honourable fight.
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Re: Bryn Mawr
Sheilagh O'Leary to: petie122

2016/04/01 06:11 PM

Ditto girl... I might quote you if that's alright.
Cheers

Sent from my iPhone

On Apr 1, 2016, at 6:09 PM, [REDACTED] wrote:

Thank you, Sheilagh. So glad you are in there!
Cheers,

[REDACTED]

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Bryn Mawr or Baird Cottage Demolition

IL to: citycouncil

2016/04/01 06:23 PM

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Sincerely,

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Baird Cottage/Steinhaur Property

to: citycouncil

2016/04/01 06:24 PM

History:

This message has been replied to.

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Bryn Mawr
Jenny Higgins to: citycouncil

2016/04/01 06:25 PM

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Sincerely,
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Bryn Mawr - opposition to demolition
Emily Wolf to: rellsworth

2016/04/01 06:34 PM

History:

This message has been replied to.

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66 Churchill Avenue, #115



St. John's, NL A1A 0L8 EmilyWolf_BrynMawrletter.pdf



Re: Baird Cottage/Steinhaur Property
Sandy Hickman to: Melanie Del Rizzo

2016/04/01 06:39 PM

Nice to have Sheliagh on board but Don't forget me and Dave!
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Sent from my iPad

On Apr 1, 2016, at 6:24 PM, Melanie Del Rizzo <mdelrizzo@swd-law.nf.net> wrote:

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Re: Baird Cottage/Steinhaur Property
Melanie Del Rizzo to: Sandy Hickman

2016/04/01 06:41 PM

Yes, thanks Sandy!!

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone on the TELUS network.

From: Sandy Hickman

Sent: Friday, April 1, 2016 6:40 PM

To: Melanie Del Rizzo

Subject: Re: Baird Cottage/Steinhaur Property

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Re: Bryn Mawr or Baird Cottage Demolition
Sheilagh O'Leary to: I L

2016/04/01 06:48 PM

Irene,
I will emphatically support its St. John's City heritage designation and oppose its demolition.
Thank you for your email.
Cheers
Sheilagh
Ward 4 Councillor

Sent from my iPhone

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Re: Bryn Mawr
Sheilagh O'Leary to: Jenny Higgins

2016/04/01 06:49 PM

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Please Stop Demolition of Baird Cottage Immediately

Kim Todd to: dokeefe, rellsworth, dbreen, jgalgay, btilley, soleary, wcollins, thann, shickman, dlane, apuddister

2016/04/01 07:12 PM

Cc: coordinator

History: This message has been replied to.

I write in haste. Please stop the demolition of Baird Cottage immediately.

kim todd



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kim todd, abc 709 682 3955

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fbook - <http://www.thegreenrock.ca>



Seen any lazy dogs?

www.thequickbrownfox.ca



Bryn Mawr demolition
Sarah Hansen to: citycouncil

2016/04/01 07:45 PM

PLEASE PLEASE PLEASE!

Please do not demolish this amazing home that is one of the very few historic homes in the east end of St. John's!

Surely a private buyer can be found and the home can be restored.

Sincerely,

Sarah Hansen



Re: Please Stop Demolition of Baird Cottage Immediately

NL Historic Trust to: Kim Todd

2016/04/01 07:45 PM

Cc: dokeefe, rellsworth, dbreen, jgalgay, btilley, soleary, wcollins, thann,
shickman, dlane, apuddister, coordinator

History: This message has been replied to.

Yes. This is a fast moving issue. Please do not allow the loss of this house. A more formal letter is on its way from the Trust but as a private citizen, please Mayor O'Keefe and councillors come out in support of designation and the denial of a demolition permit. Thanks very much to the councillors that have.

Peter Jackson. Architect

On Apr 1, 2016, at 7:12 PM, Kim Todd [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@[REDACTED]> wrote:

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Re: Bryn Mawr - opposition to demolition
Sheilagh O'Leary to: Emily Wolf

2016/04/01 07:50 PM

Emily,

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Thank you for your email.

Cheers

Sheilagh

Ward 4 Councillor

Sent from my iPhone

On Apr 1, 2016, at 7:09 PM, Emily Wolf <[REDACTED]> wrote:

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Please see the attached letter.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Emily Wolf



St. John's, NL A1A 0L8

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Bryn Mawr - opposition to demolition
Emily Wolf to: shickman

2016/04/01 07:56 PM

Dear Councillor Hickman:

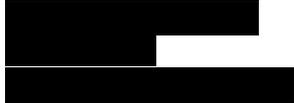
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Bryn Mawr
Elizabe to: citycouncil@stjohns.ca

2016/04/01 08:47 PM

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I strongly oppose the demolition of this structure. Please forward this email to the Heritage committee.

Thank you,
Elizabeth Whelan Hollett

Sent from my iPhone



Re: Bryn Mawr
Claire Carew to: Art Puddister

2016/04/01 09:41 PM

Thank you Mr Puddister for your reply and consideration of this issue.

Regards
Claire

Sent from my iPhone

> On Apr 1, 2016, at 5:13 PM, Art Puddister <apuddister@stjohns.ca> wrote:

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> Thank you for your e mail. I will consider you comments once this matter
> comes before council.

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> Art Puddister

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> Sent from my iPad

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>> On Apr 1, 2016, at 4:00 PM, Claire Carew <[REDACTED]> wrote:

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>> Good Afternoon,

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>> I am writing City Council to express my concerns with the demolition
> permit application submitted from Wrightland Development Corporation for
> the destruction of the Bryn Mawr Heritage Property in St. John's.

>>

>> I implore you to reject/deny the application.

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>> The strong reaction of City Residents to the destruction of the beautiful
> historic home on Winter Avenue must surely still resonate with Council.

> Not to mention the very sad state of affairs that Richmond Hill Cottage is
> now in. Such destruction of the City's historic properties must come to an
> end! While these properties may financially and legally belong to
> individuals or developers, their history belongs to us all...and MUST be
> maintained.

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>> No one who lives in St. John's, or who comes to visit, wants to tour the
> vinyl siding clad subdivisions that often times are built to replace these
> majestic and beautiful historic homes. It is our HISTORY and HERITAGE,
> including historical residences like Bryn Mawr, that is of interest and
> makes our city unique.

>>

>> I urge you to continue to honour the home's registered heritage status
> and preserve it (and it's history) for future generations. Please vote
> against granting the demolition permit.

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>> Regards

>> Claire Carew

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Protecting Bryn Mawr

Adam Reid to: dokeefe, rellsworth, dbreen, jgalgay, btalley,
soleary, wcollins, thann, shickman, dlane,
apuddister

2016/04/01 10:15 PM

History: This message has been replied to.

Dear Mr. Mayor and St. John's City Councilors,

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Yours respectfully,

Adam Reid



Please vote heritage status for Bryn Mawr House

Ellen Haskell to: dokeefe, rellsworth, dbreen, jgalgay, btiley,
soleary, wcollins, thann, shickman, dlane,
apuddister

2016/04/01 10:28 PM

Dear Mayor O'Keefe and City Councilors,

I am writing to express my concern about the heritage property currently threatened with demolition. Bryn Mawr is an important and highly visible part of the built history and culture of St. John's, and I urge you as a member of City Council to do all you can to keep it from vanishing from the landscape forever.

The Council has an opportunity here to make a statement about the importance of heritage properties for the identity of this city and its citizens. Please do not issue a demolition permit for 152 New Cove Road. Instead, work to ensure that this property (and all properties worthy of heritage designations) has processes in place to protect this piece of our history and shared experience. I believe that preserving heritage properties are squarely in the public interest not only by preserving the past but by ensuring the St. John's we know and love perseveres in to the future.

There is a value to heritage that can never be replaced by development. I believe you have the leadership to make a decision that is within the true public interest and not only for the profit of an individual or group. In the future, I believe that the people of St. John's will look back on the decision to save Bryn Mawr with admiration and gratitude. However, once a home like Bryn Mawr is gone it's gone forever. City Council did a great job supporting projects like Shamrock Farm. Let's keep that momentum going! We are counting on you.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely yours,

Ellen Haskell



Re: Bryn Mawr
Sheilagh O'Leary to: Elizabe

2016/04/01 11:20 PM

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Re: Protecting Bryn Mawr
Sheilagh O'Leary to: Adam Reid

2016/04/01 11:21 PM

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Ongoing demolition of Baird Cottage

John Wicks to: dokeefe@stjohns.ca, rellsworth@stjohns.ca,
dbreen@stjohns.ca, jgalgay@stjohns.ca,
btilly@stjohns.ca, soleary@stjohns.ca,

2016/04/02 01:25 AM

History:

This message has been replied to.

As a former archaeologists who worked on the Rooms project for 18 months and witnessed the destruction of a large portion of an intact 18th century fort (and have the pictures and video to prove it), I'm very concerned that demolition has already started on the interior of Baird Cottage, without approval. During my 17 years working as an archaeologists in St. John's I witnessed the destruction of countless historic buildings. For a city that claims to be the oldest in North America we have very little to show for it. I believe it's time that SOME of you get your shit together and help protect what little remains of our heritage.

John Wicks

Fed up and over charged taxpayer





Re: Heritage and our Future
Sheilagh O'Leary to: Danielle Irvine

2016/04/02 08:41 AM

Danielle,

Thank you so much.

City staff I'll be recommending some heritage incentives over the next month or so and in the meantime, the built heritage panel committee members who have just met, and my understanding is that they will be recommending over 70 properties in the City for heritage status.

In regards to the immediate issue of Bryn Mawr and its demolition request... I will emphatically support its St. John's City heritage designation and oppose its demolition.

Thank you for your email.

Cheers

Sheilagh

Ward 4 Councillor

Sent from my iPhone

On Apr 2, 2016, at 12:49 AM, Danielle Irvine <[REDACTED]> wrote:

Dear City Council,

I am writing, as I have done in the past, to draw attention to the importance of our city's special culture and it's importance in our healthy economy and identity as a collective.

I have been working in the cultural industries since I was a teenager. As a tour guide, I took pride in taking visitors through our historic downtown core. Their amazement and love of our home fed my pride in our cultural identity, while the dollars they were spending fed me through school. Their dollars would have also been going all over the town while they were here.

I have been deeply disturbed over the past number of years as I have watched what has made our city so special, something City Council itself touts in all it's publicity, being destroyed for "development".

We cannot, on one hand, celebrate our culture and use it as a drawing card for business and development and at the very same time, but with the other hand, give gems away to be destroyed in the name of development and progress.

It actually makes no sense. None.

First and foremost, it is destroying our identity. The identity that cruise ships, planes and cars full of visitors are coming here for. Once that is gone, where will our dollars come from? The multinationals? Not likely.

There are no awards being won for having The Keg on the waterfront. But the world is watching the clever and insightful development of Mallard Cottage in Quidi Vidi.

People and their dollars are coming here for what is special about St. John's. Yet, amazingly, I continue to see what is special about downtown St. John's, being flattened by what is cookie cutter to the rest of the material world.

These decisions, or lack thereof, are going to destroy our economy. That is simply a

fact.

I am calling for you, as a City Council, to be leaders and protectors of our City's precious qualities.

Thank you,
Danielle Irvine



Re: Ongoing demolition of Baird Cottage
Sheilagh O'Leary to: John Wicks

2016/04/02 08:42 AM

John,

I will emphatically support its St. John's City heritage designation and oppose its demolition.

Thank you for your email.

Cheers

Sheilagh

Ward 4 Councillor

Sent from my iPhone

On Apr 2, 2016, at 1:25 AM, John Wicks [REDACTED] > wrote:

As a former archaeologists who worked on the Rooms project for 18 months and witnessed the destruction of a large portion of an intact 18th century fort (and have the pictures and video to prove it), I'm very concerned that demolition has already started on the interior of Baird Cottage, without approval. During my 17 years working as an archaeologists in St. John's I witnessed the destruction of countless historic buildings. For a city that claims to be the oldest in North America we have very little to show for it. I believe it's time that SOME of you get your shit together and help protect what little remains of our heritage.

John Wicks

Fed up and over charged taxpayer

[REDACTED]

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Bryn Mawr
Becky Phillipps to: citycouncil

2016/04/02 09:19 AM

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Baird Cottage
emilydeming to: citycouncil@stjohns.ca

2016/04/02 09:37 AM

Hello councillors,

Thank you Councillors Jonathan Galgay, Sandy Hickman, Dave Lane and Sheilagh O'Leary for stating your support for the preservation of Bryn Mawr Baird Cottage.

I urge you to act on your statements. There is more at stake than one historic building. Council's reputation for integrity and positive action is lately severely compromised. Please stand by your statements with more than words. You DO have the power to do something. Please use that power. Don't simply use words to accrue power. Use power to make a difference. Please.

The first time I landed in St John's, in the taxi ride from the airport, I fell head over heels for this place. The drive, which took me past Baird Cottage and then through Georgestown (where I now live and pay property tax in a beautifully restored historic home thanks to contractors bound by historic preservation regulations) to my offices downtown left a huge impression. The beautiful old historic buildings increasing in density towards the harbour were like a crescendo of history and artistry. I came here with industry. Industry is wonderful. But humans need more than industry for a full life. And if you want people to stay, you need to make them fall in love. There will always be jobs (and sun) elsewhere, but, if we are not careless, there will never be anything like St John's for visuals, history, fun, mystery, and ... a drop of unique misery (another charm in its own right).

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Please consider doing so. Preserving what are, essentially, limited quantities of valuable goods does not make you anti-development. Development is great! I'm pro-development! But development does not, and has never needed to mean, pro-destruction. Be smart. Be thorough. Be creative. Please. Please. Please. Be impressive.

There is NOWHERE I would rather live than St. John's. I had the opportunity to choose anywhere in the world. And I chose here. I have integrated and am working and raising a family here with deep roots (on one side) and with generous adopted-homeland pride on the other. I am teaching my daughter to think long term and to always support her words with her actions. I expect at least that much from you. Impress the hell out of me. I vow to make my "kudos" as loud and public as I admit my criticisms have been.

Thank you for your time,
Emily Deming



Re: Baird Cottage
Dennis O'Keefe to: emilydeming
Cc: "citycouncil@stjohns.ca"

2016/04/02 10:29 AM

Emily

Thank you very much for your letter. I understand and appreciate your feelings and concerns regarding Baird Cottage. I can assure you Council will do all it can within its ability and authority also respecting the rights of the owners of the property. If those Councillors have proposals to save the Cottage, I and Council would eagerly give such proposals every consideration. Again, thank you for your letter and I sincerely hope a resolution acceptable to all may be found.

Dennis
Sent from my iPhone

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Re: [BULK] Re: Opening Reception: LAURIE LEEHANE- Timelines
Sheilagh O'Leary to: Hayes, Gerard

2016/04/02 11:32 AM

Absolutely!
It's the other council members who need approach now

Sent from my iPhone

On Apr 2, 2016, at 11:07 AM, Hayes, Gerard <[REDACTED]> wrote:

The whole issue of Richmond Cottage and now Bryn Mawr is really concerning, Sheilagh. It's going to take a lot of will on Council to stand up to this. I hope that Sandy and Dave are with you. I see Galgay is onside, which is interesting. But, you take your allies where you can find them, eh?

Cheers,
Gerard

From: Sheilagh O'Leary [<mailto:SOLEary@stjohns.ca>]
Sent: Friday, April 01, 2016 5:49 PM
To: Hayes, Gerard
Subject: [BULK] Re: Opening Reception: LAURIE LEEHANE- Timelines

Thank you Gerard.
I will be pro-active on this.
Sheilagh

Sent from my iPhone

On Apr 1, 2016, at 1:53 PM, Hayes, Gerard <[REDACTED]> :
Thought you might appreciate the bittersweet message in this painting.

Gerard

Opening Reception: LAURIE LEEHANE:Timelines Friday, April 8, 2016, 5:30-8pm.

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Re: Bryn Mawr
Dennis O'Keefe to: Becky Phillipps

2016/04/02 12:37 PM

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Re: Preservation of Bryn Mawr
Sheilagh O'Leary to: Catherine Horan

2016/04/02 03:42 PM

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Cheers
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Ward 4 Councillor

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Bairds Cottage

Danny Breen to: Jason Sinyard, Cheryl L Mullett

Cc: Council_group

2016/04/02 04:20 PM

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Sent from my iPhone

Danny Breen
Councillor, Ward 1
City of St. John's, NL
Office (709) 576-2332
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Re: Preservation of Bryn Mawr
Sandy Hickman to: Catherine Horan

2016/04/02 04:27 PM

Thanks Ms. Horan
You can be assured of my support for these and all heritage structures in the city.
All the best

Sandy H.

Sent from my iPhone

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Fwd: Bairds Cottage
Jason Sinyard to: Ken O'Brien

2016/04/02 05:16 PM

Ken please give me your thoughts on this. Thanks

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Danny Breen" <DBreen@stjohns.ca>
Date: April 2, 2016 at 4:20:44 PM NDT
To: "Jason Sinyard" <JSinyard@stjohns.ca>, "Cheryl L Mullett" <CMullett@stjohns.ca>
Cc: "Council_group" <Q291bmNpbF9ncm91cA==@Int.noninternet.sub>
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smunn to: citycouncil

2016/04/02 05:36 PM

History:

This message has been replied to.

Mayor O Keffe and Councilors

Resent press reports that an application has been made to demolish the house at 154 New Cove Rd known as Bryn Mawr.

This provincially certified heritage house was until the last month or so occupied as a private dwelling and in excellent condition.

The home is over a hundred years old and one of the few remaining houses of this age in St John's. and I feel council should not allow the wilful destruction of this heritage house.

sincerely

Sandra Munn [\[redacted\]](#)



[CAUTION - Possible SPAM] DEMOLITION OF HISTORIC HOUSES

E. Hunt to: CITYCOUNCIL

2016/04/02 07:57 PM

DEAR COUNCIL MEMBERS---- IT IS MY UNDERSTANDING THAT THERE IS AN APPLICATION FOR THE DEMOLITION OF ANOTHER HISTORIC HOUSE IN ST, JOHN.S- THE HOUSE KNOWN AS BRYN MAWR AT 154 PORTUGAL COVE ROAD. AS I AM SURE YOU ARE AWARE THIS HOUSE WAS BUILT IN 1900 AND HAS BEEN PRIVATELY OWNED SINCE THAT DATE. IT WAS BUILT BY MY GREAT GRANDFATHER= A WELL KNOWN MERCHANT AND PERSONALLY IT BECAME MY HOME DURING THE WAR AS MY GRANDMOTHER mARY vICTORIA bAIRD WAS VERY AN XIOUS THAT HER DAUGHTER - MY MOTHER- BRING HER TWO DAUGHTERS FROM ENGLAND TO LIVE WITH HER FOR THE REST OF THE WAR WE CAME OVER TO HALIFAX IN A CONVOY AND ON TO ST, JOHN.S WHERE BRYN MAWR BECAME OUR HOMEWITH OUR GRANDMOTHER,- BRYN MAWR WAS A;SO ON THE ROUTE THE TROOPS FROM cANADA AND THE U.S. USED ON THEIR ASSIGNMENTS AND THEY ALWAYS POINTED OUT THE OLD HISTORIC HOUSE AS THEY PASSED, IN 1993 BRYN MAWR WAS GIVEN A REGISTERED HERITAGE STRUCTURE CERTIFICATE . AND I DO HOPE THIS DEMOLITION DOES NOT OCCUR.YOURS TRULY ELIZABETH HUNT



Re: Bairds Cottage

Dennis O'Keefe to: Danny Breen

Cc: Jason Sinyard, Cheryl L Mullett, Council_group

2016/04/02 08:42 PM

Danny

I have the same concern after reading the email from Ms. Hunt. There seems to be a disconnect here. A provincial designation should automatically fall to the City or so it seems! If so, then the Cottage is protected. If not, then why did the provincial designation not apply automatically to the City. Sent from my iPhone

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Re: Preservation of Bryn Mawr
Dennis O'Keefe to: Catherine Horan

2016/04/02 08:53 PM

Cathie

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Re: Save Bryn Mawr
Dennis O'Keefe to: James Baird

2016/04/02 08:55 PM

James

Are you saying it should be done without the consent of the property owner?

Sent from my iPhone

> On Apr 1, 2016, at 3:55 PM, James Baird [REDACTED] > wrote:
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> It is ridiculous that Bryn Mawr has not been designated a heritage property.
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> The City should immediately move to make it one.
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> James Baird
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Richmond Hill and Bryn Mawr
Philip Hiscock to: Mayor Dennis O'Keefe

2016/04/02 09:27 PM

2 April 2016

Mayor O'Keefe,

I am writing you to express my concern about the possibility that two more of our city's finest pieces of material heritage will be allowed to either fall down or be knocked down. I refer to the "Richmond Hill" house on Shaw Street and Topsail Road, and to Baird Cottage, "Bryn Mawr," on New Cove Road. I believe that if the City stands by and watches these two examples of good design and cultural heritage disappear, it will be a reneging of your responsibility.

The City must take a hard stand on these matters. Developers bring to the City an argument that their monetary rights trump the rights of citizens, neighbours, and visitors. Of course the very fact that there is a city council, and the more specific fact that there is zoning and heritage control, shows that the City has the responsibility to prevent shortsighted and selfish actions by landowners. This is your responsibility as the Mayor.

There is an argument that such buildings as Richmond Hill and Bryn Mawr represent a wrongheaded valorisation of the rich; this argument is specious. They represent a past that the city and its inhabitants lived through. More than that, their beauty and their green spaces contribute to the present in ways that cannot be exaggerated and certainly cannot be replaced.

I live in the neighbourhood of Richmond Hill and daily feel the loss of the green space around that house, green space that was a natural and naturalised landscape for hundred of years. Every day I pass the house and see its condition deteriorate due to willful neglect by the owners. The City is not powerless to prevent the house from falling down (or being burnt down by vandals encouraged by the owners' neglect). It should make sure that the house and as much as is left of its landscaping are preserved.

It is because of my daily feelings about Richmond Hill (as well as my sharp memory of what happened on Winter Ave last year) that I am very concerned about Bryn Mawr on New Cove Road. Here is a piece of ground that has been meadowland for hundreds of years. Like much of the land in a ring around the edge of old St John's, this property was part of farmland that was farmed since the early 19th century and before. Its trees are old and its grassy parts are older, representing some of the oldest fragments of meadow in the entire city. It is heritage landscape as well as heritage building. We, the city - its citizens and certainly its government - must look for ways to preserve this. We must not give up simply because a developer tells us he has no alternative to destroying it.

The green spaces of a city are often privately owned. This is why zoning laws came into being generations ago - to prevent losses of environment to the majority of citizens based on the short-sighted and selfish desires of small numbers. The City must protect the interests of the majority by preventing this present plan by a tiny minority to destroy an old building that is built far better than the vast majority

of contemporary homes and its landscape.

I look forward to your action to keep these buildings and their landscapes, and to find ways to preserve them in the 21st century with culturally respectful and publically profitable uses.

Philip Hiscock





Bryn Mawr Baird Cottage
Melanie Adams to: citycouncil

2016/04/02 09:43 PM

St. John's City Councillors,

I'm writing this email in regard to Bryn Mawr, or as it's also known, Baird Cottage. I pass this beautiful house every day on my way to college and work, and every day it strikes me just how gorgeous it is. It stands out amongst the other houses in the area.

This house is a beautiful part of our heritage. We should be celebrating it, sustaining it, not demolishing it. Our city, our province was built upon our heritage. Our heritage is why people come to our city, to visit us. They want to see the old, beautiful coloured houses. They don't come to see condos. You already can't see Kenny's Pond from Portugal Cove Road because of the condos.

Demolishing any heritage house is a shame, and shouldn't be allowed, but to demolish one that is in such good condition, should be downright criminal. What's next, Cabot Tower? Surely Signal Hill must be prime real estate for high rises, right?

Please, I urge you. Don't let Bryn Mawr be demolished. Protect it, protect our heritage. Uphold it's heritage designation. Other cities have benefited from having a house museum, why not follow their example with Bryn Mawr? It would make a fantastic venue for weddings and other celebrations.

Thank you,
Melanie Adams



Re: Save Bryn Mawr
Dennis O'Keefe to: James Baird

2016/04/02 09:49 PM

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Re: Bryn Mawr Baird Cottage
Dennis O'Keefe to: Melanie Adams
Cc: citycouncil

2016/04/02 10:23 PM

Hi Melanie

Thanks for your letter and your concerns. I share those concerns. Council will do all it can within its authority and respecting the rights of the property owner to protect the property. Again, my thanks!

Dennis

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Re: Bairds Cottage

Cheryl L Mullett to: Dennis O'Keefe
Cc: Danny Breen, Jason Sinyard, Council_group

2016/04/02 10:36 PM

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Re: Bairds Cottage
Dennis O'Keefe to: Cheryl L Mullett

2016/04/02 10:46 PM

Cheryl

Thanks! But, go to bed and get your rest! You and the baby need it! Time later for this stuff. Thanks for responding so late on a Saturday night! No need! Get your rest!

Dennis

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Re: Bryn Mawr
Dennis O'Keefe to: Claire Carew

2016/04/02 10:52 PM

Claire

Thanks for you letter! I agree! The City can only do what is within its authority and respecting the rights of the property owner. Whether the City should underwrite the cost of saving the many buildings we have and whether taxpayers would want a tax to support that will make for an interesting discussion.

Sent from my iPhone

> On Apr 1, 2016, at 4:00 PM, Claire Carew <[REDACTED]> wrote:

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> Good Afternoon,

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> I am writing City Council to express my concerns with the demolition permit application submitted from Wrightland Development Corporation for the destruction of the Bryn Mawr Heritage Property in St. John's.

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> I implore you to reject/deny the application.

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> The strong reaction of City Residents to the destruction of the beautiful historic home on Winter Avenue must surely still resonate with Council. Not to mention the very sad state of affairs that Richmond Hill Cottage is now in. Such destruction of the City's historic properties must come to an end! While these properties may financially and legally belong to individuals or developers, their history belongs to us all...and MUST be maintained.

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> No one who lives in St. John's, or who comes to visit, wants to tour the vinyl siding clad subdivisions that often times are built to replace these majestic and beautiful historic homes. It is our HISTORY and HERITAGE, including historical residences like Bryn Mawr, that is of interest and makes our city unique.

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> I urge you to continue to honour the home's registered heritage status and preserve it (and it's history) for future generations. Please vote against granting the demolition permit.

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> Regards

> Claire Carew



Save Bryn Mawr!

Natalie Spracklin to: citycouncil@stjohns.ca

2016/04/02 11:43 PM

City councillors.

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Very sincerely,
Natalie Spracklin



Sent from my iPhone



Re: Save Bryn Mawr!
Natalie Spracklin to: citycouncil@stjohns.ca

2016/04/02 11:47 PM

My sincere thanks to Sheilagh O'Leary, Dave Lane, Sandy Hickman and Jonathan Galgay for opposing the demolition of Bryn Mawr.

Natalie Spracklin
6 Winter Place

Sent from my iPhone

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Re: Save Bryn Mawr
James Baird to: Dennis O'Keefe

2016/04/03 02:33 AM

History:

This message has been replied to.

Sir,

I appreciate your replies.

The City of St. John's has numerous laws and regulations that govern private citizens occupancy and use of their own property which limit the financial benefits they might otherwise enjoy from said property. They maintain those laws and regulations are necessary for the safety and benefit of the citizens as a whole superseding individual rights.

Further the City has rezoned properties without the consent of owners and not compensated them for that rezoning.

Ultimately the City has many levers to prevent the destruction of Bryn Mawr other than a "forced" heritage designation should it chose to do so.

As someone who desires to make St. John's a better place I would hope you would find a way to preserve a small part of our built heritage.

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Re: Save Bryn Mawr
James Baird to: Art Puddister

2016/04/03 02:34 AM

History:

This message has been replied to.

Thank you for your reply.

I would appreciate knowing which side of the debate are you on?

> On Apr 1, 2016, at 3:43 PM, Art Puddister <apuddister@stjohns.ca> wrote:

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> Thank you for your e mail.

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Bryn Mawr +
Sheilagh O'Leary to: Arthur MacDonald

2016/04/03 09:17 AM

Good morn Arthur,

My apologies for reaching out to you on a Sunday, however, there are immediate issues to address re: heritage issues. If you get a moment, could you kindly call me at [REDACTED]?

Thank you
Sheilagh

Sent from my iPhone



Re: Save Bryn Mawr!
Sheilagh O'Leary to: Natalie Spracklin

2016/04/03 09:18 AM

Natalie!

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Cheers

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Ward 4 Councillor

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Re: Richmond Hill and Bryn Mawr
Sheilagh O'Leary to: Philip Hiscock

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> 2 April 2016

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Re: [CAUTION - Possible SPAM] DEMOLITION OF HISTORIC HOUSES

Sheilagh O'Leary to: E. Hunt

2016/04/03 09:21 AM

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Re: Richmond Hill and Bryn Mawr
Sandy Hickman to: Philip Hiscock

2016/04/03 09:36 AM

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I, as well, am very concerned about the loss of any heritage property in the city. I will oppose demolition of Bryn Mawr and am working hard to find a buyer for Richmond Cottage.

All the best.

Sandy H.

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Re: couple of things
Dave Lane to: Jerry Dick

2016/04/03 09:38 AM

Hey Jerry!

Great to hear from you, and congratulations on the new role! I was speaking with George on Thursday and he informed me. You're perfectly suited for it, and I'm happy to see you there :) Tomorrow at 3pm is the same time as Council's weekly special meeting unfortunately, though I'd like to be there. Can we try for Tuesday at 3pm downtown? Otherwise we could try Thursday morning?

Dave

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Dave Lane
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www.twitter.com/DaveLaneTweets

On Apr 1, 2016, at 16:31, Jerry Dick <[REDACTED]> wrote:

Hi Dave:

I'm not sure if you have heard but this week I took over from George Chalker as ED at the Heritage Foundation NL. I am quite pumped about the opportunity. I'd like to sit down over coffee sometime and discuss how the Foundation and the City can work together more to protect and promote heritage. Please let me know of a convenient time.

In the meantime, Bryn Mawr has emerged as an issue as you know. On Monday at 3:00 I am hoping to meet with the NHT and the city's new heritage planner, Arthur here at the Foundation. Feel free to join us if you like. I want to try to find some constructive avenues that will allow us, ideally, to move from a reactionary to a pro-active position with respect to saving and adaptively reusing significant heritage structures.

I look forward to connecting again.

Cheers,

Jerry Dick
Executive Director
Heritage Foundation Newfoundland & Labrador
739-1892, ext. 1
jerry@heritagefoundation.ca



Re:
Sandy Hickman to: smunn

2016/04/03 09:40 AM

Thanks for your note Mrs. Munn.

I couldn't agree more! I will be opposing demolition. I know three other councillors that will, for sure, and I know some others seem to be on the fence.

We are getting a lot of emails in support of saving the structure so I am hopeful.

All the best!

Sandy

Sent from my iPad

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sincerely

Sandra Munn [s\[REDACTED\]@a](#)



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Kevin Breen to: Council_group
Cc: Cheryl L Mullett, Jason Sinyard

2016/04/03 06:43 PM

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Cheryl will update council on Monday so we are all aware of the past issue and all members of council have the same information .

I understand your concern and I don't disagree , but I do believe council needs to be briefed on a previous issue which is still before the courts .

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Dennis O'Keefe to: Sheila Coultas

2016/04/03 08:47 PM

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I and Council have a lot of respect for what makes this City not only special but unique. What we do not have are the answers to the issue and it seems fm that we are not the only ones. Do you have a plan or suggestions as to how our churches, old public buildings like the Court House and private residences can not only be protected but preserved and where the money will come from to do so?
We have struggled with it! Have you?

Sent from my iPhone

> On Apr 3, 2016, at 9:26 AM, Sheila Coultas <a [REDACTED]> wrote:

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> Good Morning Mayor O'keefe,

> I am writing now regarding the proposal to demolish Baird Cottage.

> I am frankly astonished that it is even being entertained by council at all. I hope that council will remember the uproar about Quinnapiac, and the appalling loopholes in the contract with the company regarding the house on Old Topsail Road.

> To be open and honest this council, under your Mayoralty, has had very little respect, it seems, for what makes our city special. I trust that will change.

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> STC



Re: Save Bryn Mawr
Dennis O'Keefe to: James Baird

2016/04/03 08:48 PM

James

You have not answered my question! That speaks volumes!

Sent from my iPhone

> On Apr 3, 2016, at 2:33 AM, James Baird [REDACTED] > wrote:

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> Sir,

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> I appreciate your replies.

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> The City of St. John's has numerous laws and regulations that govern private citizens occupancy and use of their own property which limit the financial benefits they might otherwise enjoy from said property. They maintain those laws and regulations are necessary for the safety and benefit of the citizens as a whole superseding individual rights.

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> Further the City has rezoned properties without the consent of owners and not compensated them for that rezoning.

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> Ultimately the City has many levers to prevent the destruction of Bryn Mawr other than a "forced" heritage designation should it chose to do so.

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> As someone who desires to make St. John's a better place I would hope you would find a way to preserve a small part of our built heritage.

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>> On Apr 2, 2016, at 8:19 PM, Dennis O'Keefe <DOKeefe@stjohns.ca> wrote:

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>> James

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>> So, if for some reason, without your consent we designated or rezoned your
>> property causing you a financial loss, you would be comfortable and
>> understanding. And you would not sue the City for the financial loss
>> incurred by the failure of the sale of your property due to what the City

>> did?
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>> Sent from my iPhone
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>>> On Apr 2, 2016, at 9:05 PM, James Baird <[REDACTED]> wrote:
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>>> Mayor
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>>> Short answer is Yes.
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>>> When the Steinhauers bought the property Bryn Mawr from my family they
>> bought a historic property with huge cultural cache as a family home not a
>> real estate play.
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>>> If the City of St. John's has any pretension to honoring our history and
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>> individual property owners and why tourists flock there by the millions.
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>>>> James
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>>>> Are you saying it should be done without the consent of the property
>> owner?
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>>>> Sent from my iPhone
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>>>>> On Apr 1, 2016, at 3:55 PM, James Baird <[REDACTED]> wrote:
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Re: 154 new cove road

Jonathan Galgay to: Kevin Breen

Cc: Sheilagh O'Leary, Council_group, Cheryl L Mullett, Jason Sinyard

2016/04/03 08:50 PM

Kevin,

What do you mean by its current law. It was merely a case decision by the judge. Bob Bursey argued that an appeal was warranted. We discussed the example of other levels of government presenting laws and policy's and opposition parties immediately opposing prior to debate. I acknowledge the approach taken, but this is a slippery slope. Depending on tomorrow's discussions, I may ask for a written opinion to be tabled so the public are aware of the direction given from the city.

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Re: Save Bryn Mawr!
Dennis O'Keefe to: Natalie Spracklin
Cc: "citycouncil@stjohns.ca"

2016/04/03 08:55 PM

Natalie

I also would love to save the structure! I struggle to find a solution which is within our authority and respects the rights of the current owners! If those Councillors have such a solution, Council would love to hear it! I would love to hear it!

Sent from my iPhone

On Apr 2, 2016, at 11:47 PM, Natalie Spracklin <[REDACTED]> wrote:

My sincere thanks to Sheilagh O'Leary, Dave Lane, Sandy Hickman and Jonathan Galgay for opposing the demolition of Bryn Mawr.

Natalie Spracklin
6 Winter Place

Sent from my iPhone

On Apr 2, 2016, at 11:43 PM, Natalie Spracklin <[REDACTED]> wrote:

City councillors.

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Baird Cottage (Bryn Mawr) / Richmond Hill / Quinnipiac
sean murray to: citycouncil@stjohns.ca

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Some people don't appreciate heritage for its own sake, and they reduce everything in life to dollars and cents. Well, I'm sure you are all well traveled people - and I'm sure you've noticed that in most of the cities which attract lots of tourists, their heritage is on display in all the magnificent old buildings. Tourism is about presenting the product - each of these buildings is

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Yours truly,
Sean Murray





Re: Baird Cottage (Bryn Mawr) / Richmond Hill / Quinnipiac
Sheilagh O'Leary to: sean murray

2016/04/03 09:45 PM

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Cc: Jonathan Galgay, Kevin Breen, Council_group, Cheryl L Mullett

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Jerry

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Fw: Letter to David Goodland - 154 New Cove Road

Danny Breen, Wally Collins, Jonathan Galgay,
Maria Power to: Tom Hann, Sandy Hickman, Dave Lane, Art
Puddister, Bruce Tilley, Sheilagh O'Leary,
Cc: Jason Sinyard, Kevin Breen, Andrew Woodland, Cheryl L Mullett

2016/04/04 08:59 AM

Good Morning All,

Kevin asked that I forward this letter along to you.

Please see attached.

Thank you

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From: Maria Power/CSJ
To: Kevin Breen/CSJ@CSJ
Cc: Andrew Woodland/CSJ@CSJ, Cheryl L Mullett/CSJ@CSJ
Date: 2016/04/01 04:26 PM
Subject: Letter to David Goodland - 154 New Cove Road

Please see attached.



Heritage Designation - letter to Goodland 2016.04.01docx.docx

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Re: BHEP - Report and Minutes 
Arthur MacDonald to: Kenessa Cutler
Cc: "Glenn Barnes", Ken O'Brien

2016/04/04 09:00 AM

Hi Kenessa,

I believe 154 New Cove Road was designated by the Heritage Foundation in 2004. Ken, do you wish to confirm.

Currently the proposed minutes and the report to Planning and Development states that it was designated in September 1993.

The rest of the minutes look good to me - Thanks Kenessa.

Regards,

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Kenessa Cutler

[Let try this again gentlemen! Arthur, my apologie...](#)

2016/03/30 02:55:11 PM

From: Kenessa Cutler/CSJ
To: Arthur MacDonald/CSJ@CSJ, Ken O'Brien/CSJ@CSJ, "Glenn Barnes" <glennbarnes.architecture@bellaliant.net>
Date: 2016/03/30 02:55 PM
Subject: BHEP - Report and Minutes

Let try this again gentlemen!

Arthur, my apologies, I missed your email completely, the report and minutes attached reflect your changes. I'm pretty sure Ken did say that 154 new Cove was designated in September of 1993 (despite the email stating otherwise)

Ken - Can you please confirm?

Glen - Please note that I double checked the recording, Victoria did leave at 12:23pm

[attachment "BHEP - Minutes_ March 23, 2016.docx" deleted by Arthur MacDonald/CSJ] [attachment "BHEP Report - March 23, 2016.docx" deleted by Arthur MacDonald/CSJ]

154 New Cove Road

Jason Sinyard to: Randy Carew
Cc: Sylvester Crocker

2016/04/04 09:04 AM

Randy

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Jason

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----- Forwarded by Jason Sinyard/CSJ on 2016/04/04 09:03 AM -----

From: Danny Breen/CSJ
To: Jason Sinyard/CSJ@csj
Date: 2016/04/04 08:57 AM
Subject: Baird Property

Hi Jason:

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Thanks,

Danny Breen
Councillor, Ward 1
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(c)687-9513

Re: 154 New Cove Road 
Randy Carew to: Jason Sinyard
Cc: Sylvester Crocker

2016/04/04 09:09 AM

I will put something together for you ASAP

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Jason Sinyard

Randy Do we have any history of property compl...

2016/04/04 09:04:10 AM

From: Jason Sinyard/CSJ
To: Randy Carew/CSJ@CSJ
Cc: Sylvester Crocker/CSJ@CSJ
Date: 2016/04/04 09:04 AM
Subject: 154 New Cove Road

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Re: CBC News : Demolition permit application submitted to demolish Bryn Mawr in St. John's

Dave Lane to: Katherine Deborah Hann

2016/04/04 09:17 AM

Hi Katherine,

Thanks for getting in touch! I hope you're well.

As you can imagine, I have been getting quite a number of emails about this topic. Unfortunately we are down a developer at Dc design house so I have been burning the candle at both ends lately :-)

If it's all right with you, could you send me some of your thoughts via email, and I can get back to you in the very near future once I've had some time to process this all. I have been speaking with a couple of my Council colleagues and hopeful we will respond appropriately as a Council.

Talk soon,

Dave

--

Dave Lane

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On Apr 1, 2016, at 12:54, Katherine Deborah Hann <[REDACTED]> wrote:

Hello Dave Lane,

Are you able to discuss?

Katherine Deborah Hann

~

According to the Newfoundland and Labrador Historic Trust, an application for a demolition permit has been submitted to the city to demolish Bryn Mawr, also known as Baird's Cottage, located off New Cove Road.

<http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/newfoundland-labrador/heritage-buildings-demolish-bryn-mawr-1.3516311>

<Image-1.jpg>



Bryn Mawr - 154 New Cove Road 
Arthur MacDonald to: Ken O'Brien

2016/04/04 09:37 AM

Hi Ken,

Thanks for your review of the below:

Hi Sheilagh,

As per your inquiry, please find below the time lines associated with the Bryn Mawr property at 154 New Cove Road.

- * Application for Demolition dated March 18, 2016.
- * Pursuant to Section 355(7) of the City of St. John's Act, Council has 90 days to determine whether it wishes to designate the building as a Heritage Building - June 18, 2016.
- * Built Heritage Experts Panel recommended designation during their meeting of March 23, 2016.
- * The Panel's recommendation will be brought forward to the Planning and Development Standing Committee meeting of April 19, 2016.
- * Usually the recommendations from the Standing Committee will be brought forward to Council at their next meeting, - Tuesday April 26, 2016. (due to Monday April 25, holiday).

If you have any further questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Regards,

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Sheilagh O'Leary

Arthur, Hope you are well.

2016/04/03 01:15:24 PM

From: Sheilagh O'Leary/CSJ
To: Arthur MacDonald/CSJ@csj
Date: 2016/04/03 01:15 PM
Subject: Immediate heritage issue

Arthur,
Hope you are well.
If you have a moment, could you kindly give me a call at your convenience?
Thanks

154 New Cove Road - File History

Randy Carew to: Jason Sinyard

2016/04/04 09:42 AM

Cc: Sylvester Crocker

History: This message has been forwarded.

Jason,

Please be advised that there have been both complaint and renovation files on the above subject property as listed below.

Complaints:

- 1992/09/21 - Complaint of unapproved occupancy (Wood Working). No evidence to support complaint, file closed.
- 2012/10/29 - Complaint that fence in poor condition. Notice was issued and complied with, file closed.
- 2016/01/08 - Complaint of rodents coming from property. Inspection conducted and no evidence to support complaint, file closed.

Renovations:

- 1988/07/18 - Repair to eaves, \$5000 value
- 1989/07/14 - Repair to wood siding, \$5000 value
- 1991/01/23 - Electrical Service Repair
- 1993/10/08 - Repair to wood siding & paint exterior, \$5000 value
- 2000/02/01 - Electrical Service for Accessory Building
- 2005/10/05 - Replace roof shingles, \$20,000 value
- 2012/09/12 - Electrical Permit for "NO Power" . Electrical Service damage suffered during storm.
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Re: property at New Cove Road
Peter Jackson to: Jerry Dick, Cory Thorne
Cc: Arthur MacDonald, michael

2016/04/04 09:42 AM

3:30 fine

On Apr 4, 2016, at 8:57 AM, Jerry Dick <jerry@heritagefoundation.ca> wrote:

Arthur:

3:30 would work for me. I am copying Peter Jackson on this.

Jerry

On Apr 1, 2016, at 4:45 PM, Arthur MacDonald <amacdonald@stjohns.ca> wrote:

Sorry Jerry,

I have a previous meeting scheduled and the applicant has been waiting for quite some time. I might be finished by 3:30 if that works.

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Date: 2016/04/01 04:35 PM
Subject: Re: property at New Cove Road

Arthur:

Would you be available on Monday at 3:00pm to meet with us and reps from the Newfoundland Historic Trust re: Bryn Mawr? We could meet at our office at the corner of Springdale and Water St.

Jerry

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2016/04/04 09:57 AM

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RE: Bynn Mawr - 154 New Cove Road
Andrea O'Brien to: 'Arthur MacDonald'

2016/04/04 10:03 AM

History: This message has been forwarded.

Hi Arthur,

It was designated on September 24, 1993 and the owner's request to revoke designation was denied on May 29, 2015.

Andrea

Andrea O'Brien
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Media Headlines - April 4, 2016

Kelly Maguire to: Council_group, Executives, Directors, Cindy McGrath, Ken O'Brien, Janet Adams, Strategy & Engagement

2016/04/04 10:20 AM



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Media Headlines - April 4, 2016

TELEGRAM - Cheers & Jeers

Jeers: to the endless attrition of heritage. Another glorious old home in St. John's – Bryn Mawr, or Baird's Cottage – may soon be a victim of the wrecking ball. This beautiful Victorian house in the east end of St. John's is more than 100 years old, but has fallen into disrepair. City councillors, as usual, are vowing to save the old gem, but we've heard that refrain before. The big question is, who are all these developers, and why are they intent on destroying our past? Is there no one with a hint of vision left, a sense of historic pride? Or is it all about taking the easiest route, with the biggest payoff? So tragic.

CBC East Coast Morning Show - Mon, April 04, 2016

CBC Central Morning Show - Mon, April 04, 2016

CBC West Coast Morning Show - Mon, April 04, 2016

CBC Labrador Coast Morning Show - Mon, April 04, 2016

CAR GOES OVER SIGNAL HILL: A lot of people were drawn to Signal Hill yesterday but it wasn't for the trails or the view. As you have heard in the news a car went over Signal Hill yesterday morning and landed halfway down the cliff. The 20-year old female driver is in hospital with series injuries. ["Cst. Geoff Higdon", RNC; "Rick Mackey", Platoon Cheif SJRFD; "Randal Wheeler", CBC Reporter]

CBC 7am News - Mon, April 04, 2016

GALGAY CALLS FOR WAGE FREEZE: "Jonathan Galgay" is expecting an argument at tonight's City Council meeting in St. John's.

RICHMOND COTTAGE SIGN WARNS OF BLACK MOLD: There is a new sign posted outside a Heritage home in the west end of St. John's. ["Corey Thorne", NL Historic Trust]

CBC 8am News - Mon, April 04, 2016

GALGAY WANTS WAGE FREEZE: More cuts are coming - that's according to one St. John's City Councillor. ["Jonathan Galgay", St. John's City Councillor]

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VOCM Morning News - Mon, April 04, 2016

ROADWORK RESTRICTIONS MAY BE EXPANDED: St. John's may be about to expand restrictions on when contractors can work on the roads.

VOCM Morning Show - Mon, April 04, 2016

CHALLENGING RESCUE & RECOVERY ON SIGNAL HILL: A woman defied what, in most situations, would have meant certain death yesterday. Her car left the parking area atop Signal Hill, went through an untraveled area, and over the cliff, and then perched on a precarious position on the side of the cliff several stories down. The woman who was driving the vehicle is in serious condition in hospital. The St. John's Regional Fire Department says the conditions on Signal Hill yesterday were very, very difficult. With high winds, it was tough to communicate with their normal remote devices. ["Rick Mackey", Platoon Chief with the St. John's Regional Fire Department]

CONCERNS OVER HERITAGE PRESERVATION IN ST. JOHN'S: Letters are pouring in to City Hall and a rally has been organized for later this week. Many residents are raising their voices in protest against what they see as the sorry state of Heritage preservation in St. John's. The owners of Baird Cottage have applied for a demolition permit and the owner of Richmond Cottage has been given permission to demolish that historic property unless a buyer is found within a year. ["Melanie Del Rizzo", Lawyer]

Media Headlines - April 3, 2016

CBC 8am News - Sun, April 03, 2016

NEW OBSTACLE IN RICHMOND COTTAGE RESTORATION: Time is ticking for a historic home in west end St. John's. ["Dave Lane", St. John's City Councillor]

VOCM 1pm News - Sun, April 03, 2016

GALGAY TO CALL FOR WAGE FREEZE: Ward 2 Councillor Jonathan Galgay is going to introduce a motion at tomorrow's St. John's City Council meeting to impose an immediate wage freeze for all management and non-unionized civic employees.

NTV Evening Newshour - Sun, April 03, 2016

NEW JACK AXES BUSINESS PROPOSAL: The proponents behind an axe-throwing business are swinging again. ["Jonathan Galgay", St. John's City Councillor]

COUNCILLOR SAYS POOL PROJECT NEEDS FINANCIAL HELP FROM NEIGHBOURING COMMUNITIES: While some in the community are calling for the construction of a new indoor swimming complex, one Corner Brook City Councillor says that's not likely to happen anytime soon unless neighbouring communities are willing to cost-share the total cost of the facility. ["Josh Carey", Corner Brook City Councillor]

Media Headlines - April 2, 2016

TELEGRAM- Galgay calls for freeze

BY JOSH PENNELL

Wants to hold the line on wages for management, non-union workers, councillors

"We don't want to see just the union positions and such affected. It has to be very, as I said, fair and equitable right across the board." Coun. Sheilagh O'Leary

There's a wage deep-freeze coming to the City of St. John's if Coun. Jonathan Galgay has anything to say about it.

Galgay announced Friday he intends to put forward a motion at the regular meeting of council Monday to impose an immediate wage freeze for all management, non-union employees and members of council for a period of two years.

"It's my understanding staff now are reviewing various types of options and scenarios to implement this for the next two years," Galgay told The Telegram on Friday.

City Hall has been taking it on the chin from the public lately for bringing down a budget that many are not happy about due to such things as increased taxes and funding cuts. Last Monday, council announced it would cut \$1.35 million from the road maintenance and snowclearing budget, along with 48 jobs. Coun. Art Puddister recently called for a "sunshine list" of all the positions with the city that paid more than \$50,000 annually.

In February, \$7.1 million was paid to 29 senior employees in severance.

Galgay told The Telegram Friday that an unwritten rule with the city in the past has been that managers and non-union workers receive the same wage increases that union workers receive through the collective bargaining process.

Should his motion pass on Monday, the city could see savings of between \$1 million and \$2 million a year for two years, he says.

That money could go toward reducing the mill rate, Galgay says.

"The public are outraged already with the salaries of management at the city. We all have to make sacrifices and I think by including management and council in this it certainly sets the tone for the next year," he said.

Galgay added that he had already spoken to some other councillors who said they would support his motion.

Coun. Sheilagh O'Leary is one of them.

"I think it's definitely a move in the right direction," O'Leary said Friday.

"I am really pleased to see him say non-unionized positions, certainly, because we don't want to see just the union positions and such affected. It has to be very, as I said, fair and equitable right across the board."

O'Leary added that the city and its residents are paying the price for fiscal mismanagement.

When it became public recently just how much some city employees were paid, it became clear that something had to be done to slow the money train, she said.

"I think a lot of alarm bells went off for council and the public," O'Leary said.

"Certainly management is the one that we would definitely want to keep our eye on."

Galgay's motion is meant to be one way to rein in the increasing salaries and also regain some of the public's trust.

"If a member of council is going to stand up and vote against putting a wage freeze on management and councillors, they better have a good reason not to support it," Galgay said.

He added that council is the steward of the public purse, and while the decisions that need to be made may not be easy, they are essential.

"I can also tell you that there are going to be management job losses as well through program review. It's not just union," said Galgay.

The motion will be put forward during Monday's regular council meeting. It will go to the chamber

for a vote the following week.

TELEGRAM - Marked for destruction ?

BY JOSH PENNELL

Another historic property in St. John's is under the threat of demolition.

An application to tear down Bryn Mawr, also known as Baird's Cottage, has been made to city council by the current owners.

The announcement was made Friday on the Twitter account of the Newfoundland and Labrador Historic Trust.

The New Cove Road home is the latest building to face the possibility of being flattened. Last year a Victorian home on Winter Avenue known as Quinnipiac was levelled. Richmond Hill Cottage on Shaw Street has been given a year's grace and if no new owner is found in that time, it too will be reduced to splinters.

The city, along with such organizations as the Newfoundland and Labrador Historic Trust, is struggling to find ways to preserve such buildings, which have tremendous historic value, but require substantial investment and upkeep.

As news of the application to destroy the building made the rounds on social media, two St. John's city councillors – Sheilagh O'Leary and Jonathan Galgay – said over their own Twitter accounts that they would support the preservation of the property.

According to the Heritage Newfoundland and Labrador website, Bryn Mawr, which means "big hill" in Welsh, was built on a 7.5-acre lot in 1907 by architect William F. Butler for businessman James C. Baird.

The website describes it as "a fine example of a Queen Anne country house" with "towers, gables, dormers, bays and window openings."

Baird's Cottage was recognized as a registered heritage structure in September 1993.

TELEGRAM - OPINION- Councillor's comments off the mark

It is his duty as a public servant of the taxpayers of this city to at least become educated about an issue before he passes judgment on it ...

I want to address Coun. Bruce Tilley's comments regarding an axe-throwing business in St. John's. Particularly where he was quoted as saying, "The good news is, Your Worship, the proponent has withdrawn his application, and I thank God for that."

First, I want to inform readers that, while it may seem unorthodox, axe-throwing is a safe sport that has been practised in North America for over 300 years. It is also currently gaining in popularity in Canada, with about 40 small businesses operating across the country, including two venues recently opened in Halifax.

A quick Google search of axethrowing will immediately show you how popular it is across our country, and how it has recently been expanding. I have tried the sport in both Calgary and Toronto, and had to book weeks in advance to participate.

It is a sport not unlike darts, archery, target shooting, or many other sports that may initially seem dangerous. I encourage you to visit the websites of any of the axe-throwing businesses in Canada and it will become obvious to you that there is little risk associated with the sport when

done safely in a controlled environment.

I believe Tilley was on council in 1995 when the local rock-climbing facility, Wallnuts opened. That business at the time seemed dangerous and extreme to many. However, it is clear from the past 20 years that when done in an indoor, controlled environment, rock climbing is a safe sport. An entire community has sprung up around Wallnuts and they currently are looking to expand to a second location and employ about a dozen people.

In a time of economic recession (being a local engineer I can say with certainty that is what we are dealing with), I cannot understand why a former manager of the board of trade and a city councillor would be so abhorrently opposed to a new, locally owned small business in our city that promises to create jobs and keep money in the local economy.

I ask that Coun. Tilley please learn more about the sport of axethrowing, even if it seems extreme or dangerous to him, and have an open mind and second thought about how a new, creative local business is a positive thing for our struggling economy. It is his duty as a public servant of the taxpayers of this city to at least become educated about an issue before he passes judgment on it, as he certainly did this week.

If you have any questions or would like to discuss this further, I am always available. I look forward to hearing from you on this issue. Mike Manuel St. John's

TELEGRAM - Rally 'round the flag, boys

The problem started when two municipal councils and Confederation Building decided, with the help of a local church minister, to hoist the Christian flag as though there were thousands upon thousands of Christians living under its influence. It was an audacious move.

Call me stunned, call me ignorant and without any redeeming virtues whatsoever. But honest to my Maker, I never knew until last week's brouhaha that there was any such thing as a Christian flag.

And I like to think that I am Christian, for God's sake – and for my sake, too, of course.

I am a member of that august group known as the United Church of Canada, which some of you may feel does not give me automatic claim to the Christian label. (Just wanted to say that before you did.) But I believe in God, believe in a great life hereafter, love children and don't kick little dogs. What else is there? But I still did not know that we had our own flag.

So I investigated and, sure enough, there it is. A cross is at the top left-hand corner with the rest of the flag plain white. Thought you'd like to know in case you were as ignorant as I am.

Anyway, about this Christian flag thing. I know I am a week late commenting on all this, but that's what happens when you want to think about it a little before pontificating. You do that too much, you know, and you find yourself left with nothing to say. Either it's all been said or what has not been said requires more courage to say than you have. Don't know which category I am in yet until I see whatever it is I'm going to say. (Actually, neither – I peeked.)

Something else I did not know about is this courtesy flagpole thing. Still don't know if I have it right but it seems they hoist the appropriate flag for any particular group that's having a special day or even a special week, or a special event. Sounds like a real good idea to me. Draws attention to the group in question. Lets everyone know that they exist, perhaps could even use a little support. Wonderful, tell your mother.

If it happens to be "Clean Up After Your Dog" week, you can fly that flag with a picture of a superduperpooperscooper and a good fat schnauzer making the rounds of the neighbourhood lawns. I'm sure you people understand that a schnauzer is a dog breed originating in Germany

somewhere around the fifth century. Just thought I'd throw that in for free.

The problem started when two municipal councils and Confederation Building decided, with the help of a local church minister, to hoist the Christian flag as though there were thousands upon thousands of Christians living under its influence. It was an audacious move. They should have known the difference.

Flying a dog poop flag would be one thing, flying the Christian flag quite another. I don't know how long it took to discover their mistake, but it's safe to say no one went grey in the meantime.

Protests and dissent rose in discordant harmony until the governing bodies concerned felt constrained to do something to rectify the gross error.

To an elected official, they acted with uncharacteristic swiftness. The Christian flags came down faster than a – you know, you know. Just fill in the blanks.

Thing is, I didn't hear anywhere near the fuss about its coming down as was made upon its going up. Perhaps I was listening in the wrong churches, or to the wrong people, or in the wrong places. Perhaps everyone agreed with the councils that this flag was a divisive and corrosive influence. Flags, they maintained, should unite – like a Donald Trump red baseball cap.

And one other thing. Who caused all the ruckus in the first place? It was those angry Muslims, right? No? OK, it must have been those pesky Jews, right? No? OK, then, it had to be...

Hold on just a minute. From the research I've done over the last 20 years, I've discovered the people making the racket are white, Canadian Protestants and Catholics. That's right. Ninety per cent of those protesting are frightened to death we're going to offend somebody in the minorities and cause them to get upset.

The other 10 per cent are atheists. I don't know what their problem is. They don't believe in God but what that has to do with flags is beyond me.

The point is, we need to stop blaming the minority people among us for all this protesting of Merry Christmas and stuff, and put the blame where it belongs – on the great white majority.

That's my theory and I'm sticking to it.

TELEGRAM - OPINION - Following the money trail

T.F. Hawco St. John's

Following the nearly \$8 billion to be spent on Muskrat Falls would create substantial TV, print, social media and radio talk show coverage. It would show where our hard earned money went.

Lately, there has been considerable media coverage on the so-called Sunshine List – i.e. those who receive in excess of \$100,000 annual salary from public coffers. The not so subtle inference is that anyone making such an amount of money does so, perhaps undeservedly.

In the suspicious mind they should be named and shamed in a manner not unlike the approach to sexual offenders.

Proponents argue that this satisfies the need for transparency, but in reality it serves only to appease those of jealous and voyeuristic bent. It further deflects attention away from more substantial spending issues while directing angst towards those with little means to respond.

Publishing position titles and salary ranges only would appear to satisfy the norm for public transparency. It could also act as a motivator for the pursuit of the advanced education necessary to enter a myriad of professional ranks.

But if we are going to go down this road and name people, why stop at public servants? Salary levels, while a titillating, popular spectacle, is a drop in the bucket in comparison to other public expenditures. For example, why not publish all private sector contracts and subcontracts in excess of \$100,000 doled out by government departments and Crown corporations?

Let's start with the Muskrat Falls project. If \$100,000 proves to be too voluminous, perhaps the bar could be raised to \$500,000 or \$1 million? The results would undoubtedly create a media feeding frenzy and I'm certain that attention to the salaries of public servants would quickly diminish.

Following the nearly \$8 billion to be spent on Muskrat Falls would create substantial TV, print, social media and radio talk show coverage. It would show where our hard earned money went.

It would also be a nice change from a long winter of Donald Trump and local media gurus scaring us out of our wits with dire prognostications of the latest "weather event."

And right in time for the barbecue season.

TELEGRAM - OPINION- The flag fracas: points you may have missed

David Speed- Torbay

This "flag debate" seems to have two vocal camps: the "religious freedoms and values should be expressed via flags" side, and "the Christian flag is homophobic" side. Being the contrarian that I am, I find both arguments severely lacking.

Premier Dwight Ball's recent decision to fly a Christian flag received an inordinately negative response from Canada's most religious province. This "flag debate" seems to have two vocal camps: the "religious freedoms and values should be expressed via flags" side, and "the Christian flag is homophobic" side.

Being the contrarian that I am, I find both arguments severely lacking.

First, the anti-flaggers. The Christian flag, a singular vexillologic symbol apparently representing the diverse beliefs of approximately 20,000 sects of Christianity, has been equated with the promotion of homophobia. This criticism is not without merit given the provider of the flag, but fails at two basic levels: first, it is enormously selective with its inference, and second, it discounts the generally "gay-friendly" outlook the provincial government has had.

Suggesting that the provincial government flying a Christian flag is supportive of homophobia, is akin to suggesting that flying a Christian flag is supportive of any of the thousands of ideas within the Bible. Should persons infer the provincial government is tacitly supporting creationism? Capital punishment? Transubstantiation? Non-democratically elected rulers? All of these things are present within the Bible and are arguably "linked" to the same Christian flag.

Second, the provincial government has flown the Rainbow flag previously, so I am unsure of why anyone would assume a complete policy reversal on LGBTQ+ rights.

Now, the pro-flaggers. The arguments for why a Christian flag should be flown are horrendously problematic. I read an op/ed piece that justified the flying of the Christian flag in order to celebrate the biblical account of Jesus's Crucifixion and Resurrection. It would literally, not figuratively, take me 15 minutes to merely outline the problems associated with this statement. However, it is faster to say if the validity of your argument requires everyone to hold the same religious viewpoint that you do, then it's a bad argument.

I have also read that because Newfoundland and Labrador is a Christian province it should be able to celebrate religious homogeneity. This argument is amazing because it would also justify

flying a white pride flag because of the small number of minorities in the province.

The flying of the Christian flag has also been justified as a sign of support for persecuted Christians. However, the Christians being persecuted globally are typically Coptic, while the Christian flag is a Protestant invention. This would be like flying a Toronto Maple Leafs flag to show your support for the Habs – yes, it's a hockey flag but you're missing the point.

The final argument that has been used to justify the flying of a Christian flag is that it represents religious freedom. This argument works because religious freedom is indeed a legally recognized and cherished Canadian value. But supporters of this argument often only think in the short-term, not the long-term. If Christianity can receive governmental support, then surely every other faith is entitled to the same resources. This means that every group (including Satanists and Scientologists) have the right to the government's courtesy pole. To deny these groups the right to use of this resource is to explicitly privilege Christianity, which is the antithesis of what religious freedom is.

Personally, I have already contacted the provincial government asking for their courtesy pole guidelines. I am eagerly awaiting their detailed reply, as I intend to request that on Sept. 19, 2016 that the Pastafarian flag be flown in front of the Confederation Building.

Pastafarianism is an ancient religion only recently rediscovered by the prophet Bobby Henderson in 2005. The tenets of Pastafarianism centre on the concepts of individual freedom, individual responsibility, and the supremacy of the Flying Spaghetti Monster.

Why Sept. 19? Well, Pirates are considered the earliest prophets of Pastafarianism and are thus revered. And what better day to show support for these semi-divine beings, than on International Talk-Like-A-Pirate Day.

If you see the Christian flag as homophobic then rest assured you will find no similar grounds for complaint in Pastafarianism. The Gospel of the Flying Spaghetti Monster is explicit in its support for persons regardless of their sexual orientation, gender identity or sexual preferences. And, if you justify the flying of the Christian flag on the grounds of religious freedom, I am looking forward to your support when the Pastafarian flag is raised on Sept. 19, 2016. After all, all religious beliefs deserve comparable government resources, right?

Of course, if you supported the previous policy of not flying religious flags at the Confederation Building, then I hope your DeLorean is in good working order – we need to warn the premier about the dangers of church-state entanglement before it's too late.

CBC - Suspicious time to find black mould in St . John's heritage home , says advocate

Heritage advocates in St. John's are suspicious that a developer who wants to demolish a west end heritage home says the building is now full of black mould.

Late last week, the developer posted signs on the front doors of Richmond Hill Cottage.

"Respirators must be worn at all times," the sign reads. "A 30 minute time constriction within this property has been stipulated by the environmental consultants."

<http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/newfoundland-labrador/black-mould-st-john-s-heritage-1.3518166>

VOCM Morning News - Sat, April 02, 2016

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Media Headlines - April 1, 2016

VOCM 1pm News - Fri, April 01, 2016

WAGE FREEZE TO BE PRESENTED: A motion to impose an immediate wage freeze for all management and non-unionized employees at City Hall will be presented at Monday's council meeting. ["Jonathan Galgay", Councillor]

HERITAGE PROPERTY: It looks as though another stately historic property in the capital city could be destined for the wrecking ball. Bryn Mawr, or Baird Cottage on New Cove Road sits on 7 and a half acres of land. ["Corey Thorne", Vice President of the Historic Trust]

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NTV Mid-Day News - Fri, April 01, 2016

PETITION TO GET ELLSWORTH TO SPEAK ON LOAN: There is a petition underway tonight that aims to get Ron Ellsworth to do something he has so far refused to do; speak up about his controversial \$50,000 loan to Anne Squires.

VOCM Back Talk - Fri, April 01, 2016

CHUNK OF CONCRETE: Host preamble. There's a chunk of concrete left in the middle of a street in St. John's which is quite dangerous. Drive safely.

ANOTHER HERITAGE PROPERTY IN DANGER: Host preamble. There's another heritage property that could be on the chopping block like Richmond Cottage.

HERITAGE PROPERTIES: "Dr. Corey Thorne" is calling to talk about heritage properties. In his opinion the City could have pushed this further and gotten results but didn't and it looks like they had an agreement in place for Richmond Cottage. He says the City has the right to deny a permit for demolition but it's like they don't perceive the long term care of heritage property. He comments everybody knows now is the time to take out heritage property because this current city council would by majority vote for this. He discusses the state of some of these properties and we can have heritage designations but the laws surrounding them are only as good as the council enforcing them.

WEAK MOU: Pete reads a tweet from Councillor Jonathan Galgay regarding the MOU on Richmond Cottage being very weak.

HERITAGE PROPERTY: "Lynn" is calling to talk about heritage property. She comments that her grandparents lived at Bryn Mawr and her mother was born there so it would be nice to see some of the older buildings like this one in good repair. She says they should be able to come up with some good solutions to make this home viable within the City.

CBC On The Go - Fri, April 01, 2016

HISTORIC TRUST MEMBERS WEIGH IN ON HERITAGE PROPERTY: Disturbing news for people who would like to see the unique heritage of St. John's protected, a developer has submitted an application to tear down another historic mansions. Bryn Mawr is a 109 year old registered heritage property located just off New Cove Road. "Peter Jackson", President and "Corey Thorne", Vice President of the NL Historic Trust talk about this situation.

VOCM Evening News - Fri, April 01, 2016

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SECOND PROPOSAL TO BE SUBMITTED FOR AXE THROWING BUSINESS: The man behind the proposed axe throwing business in the City's downtown has had to withdraw his initial proposal and submit a second to the council after being forced to change locations. ["Adrian Beaton", Wants to open axe throwing business]

CBC Here & Now - Fri, April 01, 2016

PARKING BAN BEGINS ON STREETS WITH BIKE LANES: Today is the first day of April, which means the ban on overnight parking in St. John's is over - unless you live on a bike route, that is. ["Area Residents"]

NTV Evening Newshour - Fri, April 01, 2016

OWNERS OF BAIRD COTTAGE SUBMIT DEMOLITION APPLICATION: Another Heritage home in St. John's could be facing the wrecking ball. ["Cory Thorne", NL Historic Trust; "Sandy Hickman", St. John's City Councillor]

<http://ntv.ca/another-st-johns-heritage-property-faces-demolition/>

VOCM Night Line - Fri, April 01, 2016

BAIRD COTTAGE: Jonathan comments on Baird Cottage and how it may be demolished. He says the process for heritage properties seems to be flawed.

Overcast - All Hail Our Economic Saviour During Hard Times : The Small Business

BY [DAVE LANE](#) ON MARCH 31, 2016 [NEWS & PERSPECTIVES](#)

The headlines are starting to drive a growing fear: we're in the bust after the boom. The party's over. The jig is up. It was good while it lasted, but the good times are coming to an end. Sigh.

Are we really going to start feeling sorry for ourselves because the price of oil is down and our governments have spent all the royalties?

Not if I can help it, we aren't. There's way too much to be optimistic about, and the beauty of the whole situation is that our destiny is entirely in our own hands.

<http://theovercast.ca/all-hail-our-economic-saviour-during-hard-times-the-small-business/>



154 New Cove Road
Fred Steinhauer to: SCrocker

2016/04/04 10:31 AM

Mr. Sylvester Crocker,

The demolition contract has been awarded to Cadillac and they have been advised they are not permitted to proceed without the required permits from the City of St. John's. Furthermore, Cadillac is placing barricade's and signage on the property today, advising all public it is private property and not to trespass.

Regards

Fred Steinhauer



Baird Cottage
Heidi.Coombs-Thorne to: dlane

2016/04/04 11:10 AM

History: This message has been replied to.

Dear Dave,

Just want to send you a quick and very sincere thank you for voicing your support for Baird Cottage. I am dismayed and shocked at the way our built heritage has come under threat in the past year or so, and I don't think I'll ever get over the loss of Quinnipiac. We can't let Richmond and Baird meet the same fate!

Keep up the fight!

Sincerely,

Heidi Coombs-Thorne

Heidi Coombs-Thorne, PhD

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Re: Save Bryn Mawr
Art Puddister to: James Baird

2016/04/04 11:11 AM

I am keeping an open mind as I along with other members of council are obligated to do by law.

Art Puddister

Sent from my iPad

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New petition to you: Save Bryn Mawr (Baird's Cottage) from Demolition!

Newfoundland and Labrador Historic Trust

To: citycouncil

2016/04/04 12:02 PM

New petition

St. John's City Council - Newfoundland and Labrador Historic Trust started a petition on Change.org and listed you as a decision maker. Learn more about Newfoundland and Labrador Historic Trust's petition and how you can respond.

St. John's City Council: Save Bryn Mawr (Baird's Cottage) from Demolition!

Petition by Newfoundland and Labrador Historic Trust · Started Apr 04, 2016

Bryn Mawr is a highly visible historic house in the east end of St. John's. Join the Newfoundland and Labrador Historic Trust in asking St. John's City Council to... [Read more](#)

[View the petition](#)

WHAT YOU CAN DO

1. View the petition

[Learn about the petition and its supporters.](#) You will receive updates as new supporters sign the petition so you can see who is signing and why.

2. Respond to the petition

[Post a response](#) to let the petition supporters know you're listening, say whether you agree with their call to action, or ask them for more information.

3. Continue the dialogue

Read the comments posted by petition supporters and continue the dialogue so that others can see you're an engaged leader who is willing to participate in open discussion.

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On Change.org, decision makers like you connect directly with people around the world to resolve issues. [Learn more](#)

This notification was sent to citycouncil@stjohns.ca, the address listed as the decision maker contact by the petition starter. If this is incorrect, please [post a response](#) to let the petition starter know.

Change.org · 548 Market St #29993, San Francisco, CA 94104-5401, USA



Re: Save Bryn Mawr
James Baird to: Art Puddister

2016/04/04 12:08 PM

History: This message has been replied to.

In fact it is not settled law and you are under no such obligation.

As you state, it is one judge's opinion in one case which is under appeal.

But I will happily rephrase my question.

Do you believe the demolition of Bryn Mawr will make the City of St. John's a better place?

James Baird

> On Apr 4, 2016, at 10:32 AM, Art Puddister <apuddister@stjohns.ca> wrote:

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> It is a court decision from the Supreme Court called the Sceanic case which
> is under appeal by the city,councillor Collins spoke against a rezoning of
> a piece of land in Kilbride,the land owner sued the city successfully, the
> judge stated that councillors must be open minded on all matters prior to
> a decision being made.

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> Regards,

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> Art Puddister

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> Sent from my iPad

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>> On Apr 4, 2016, at 11:57 AM, James Baird <j[REDACTED]> wrote:

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>> Thank you.

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>> I would very much like to read the specific section of the law which
> obligates you to keep an open mind. Is it in the City of St. John's Act?

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>> James Baird

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Fw: Bynn Mawr - 154 New Cove Road

Arthur MacDonald to: Ken O'Brien, Kenessa Cutler, Karen Chafe
Cc: glennbarnes.architecture

2016/04/04 12:19 PM

Hi Ken, Kenessa and Karen

Ken was right, September 24th, 1993 - see confirmation below:

Regards,

Arthur MacDonald MCIP
Planner III - Urban Design and Heritage
City of St. John's Department of Planning, Development and Engineering
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P.O. Box 908,
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----- Forwarded by Arthur MacDonald/CSJ on 2016/04/04 12:13 PM -----

From: "Andrea O'Brien" <andrea@heritagefoundation.ca>
To: "Arthur MacDonald" <amacdonald@stjohns.ca>
Date: 2016/04/04 10:03 AM
Subject: RE: Bynn Mawr - 154 New Cove Road

Hi Arthur,

It was designated on September 24, 1993 and the owner's request to revoke designation was denied on May 29, 2015.

Andrea

Andrea O'Brien
Municipal Outreach Officer/Provincial Registrar
Heritage Foundation of Newfoundland & Labrador
P.O. Box 5171, 1 Springdale Street
St. John's, NL, Canada A1C 5V5

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From: Arthur MacDonald [mailto:amacdonald@stjohns.ca]
Sent: April 4, 2016 9:58 AM
To: andrea
Subject: Bynn Mawr - 154 New Cove Road

Hi Andrea,

Please confirm the date that the Heritage Foundation designated the Bryn Mawr house at 154 New Cove Road. We are trying to sort out the dates whether it was 2004 or September 1993.

Thanks,

Arthur MacDonald MCIP
Planner III - Urban Design and Heritage
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Fw: Bynn Mawr - 154 New Cove Road

Arthur MacDonald to: Ken O'Brien, Kenessa Cutler, Karen Chafe
Cc: glennbarnes.architecture

2016/04/04 12:19 PM

Hi Ken, Kenessa and Karen

Ken was right, September 24th, 1993 - see confirmation below:

Regards,

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From: "Andrea O'Brien" <andrea@heritagefoundation.ca>
To: "Arthur MacDonald" <amacdonald@stjohns.ca>
Date: 2016/04/04 10:03 AM
Subject: RE: Bynn Mawr - 154 New Cove Road

Hi Arthur,

It was designated on September 24, 1993 and the owner's request to revoke designation was denied on May 29, 2015.

Andrea

Andrea O'Brien
Municipal Outreach Officer/Provincial Registrar
Heritage Foundation of Newfoundland & Labrador
P.O. Box 5171, 1 Springdale Street
St. John's, NL, Canada A1C 5V5

Phone: 709-739-6592 Ext 4
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From: Arthur MacDonald [mailto:amacdonald@stjohns.ca]
Sent: April 4, 2016 9:58 AM
To: andrea
Subject: Bynn Mawr - 154 New Cove Road

Hi Andrea,

Please confirm the date that the Heritage Foundation designated the Bryn Mawr house at 154 New Cove Road. We are trying to sort out the dates whether it was 2004 or September 1993.

Thanks,

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Re: Bryn Mawr (Baird Cottage) 
City Clerk and Council to: Jessica Dellow
Sent by: **Elaine Henley**
Cc: Karen Chafe, Jason Sinyard

2016/04/04 12:20 PM

Good Morning Ms. Dellow:

I will check on this matter and get back to you.

Elaine Henley
City Clerk

Jessica Dellow > Hello, >

2016/03/31 09:42:16 PM

From: Jessica Dellow [REDACTED]
To: cityclerk@stjohns.ca
Date: 2016/03/31 09:42 PM
Subject: Bryn Mawr (Baird Cottage)

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Jessica Dellow
[REDACTED]

Sent from my iPhone



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Cc: Karen Chafe

2016/04/04 12:21 PM

Hi Jason:

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Thanks
Elaine

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Letter in Support of the Preservation of Bryn Mawr

Bonnie Andrews to: dokeefe@stjohns.ca,
rellsworth@stjohns.ca, dbreen@stjohns.ca,
jgalgay@stjohns.ca, btalley@stjohns.ca,
Please respond to Bonnie Andrews

2016/04/04 12:44 PM

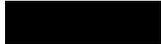
History: This message has been replied to.

Dear Mayor Dennis O'Keefe, Deputy Mayor Ron Ellsworth, and Councillors Danny Breen, Jonathan Galgay, Bruce Tilley, Sheilagh O'Leary, Wally Collins, Tom Hann, Sandy Hickman, Dave Lane and Art Puddister:

Please accept the attached letter in support of the preservation of Bryn Mawr on New Cove Road.

Sincere thanks,

Bonnie Andrews



St. John's City Council re Preservation of Bryn Mawr.docx



Re: Bryn Mawr Demolition Permit
Jason Sinyard to: Kelly Maguire
Cc: Ken O'Brien, Linda Bishop

2016/04/04 01:27 PM

The current home owner. Kelly you should check with Legal to see if we can release the individual's name.

On Apr 4, 2016, at 1:19 PM, Kelly Maguire <kmaguire@stjohns.ca> wrote:

Please see inquiry below and advise?
Thanks

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: "ANNA DELANEY" <anna.delaney@cbc.ca>
Date: April 4, 2016 at 12:48:59 PM NDT
To: kmaguire@stjohns.ca
Subject: **Bryn Mawr Demolition Permit**

Hi Kelly,

I hope you're doing well. My name is Anna Delaney and I am a reporter with CBC. I'm wondering if you could let me know who submitted the demolition permit for Bryn Mawr?

Thanks so much, Kelly.

Warm regards,
Anna

--

Anna Delaney
CBC News
anna.delaney@cbc.ca
@annaedelaney



Re: Bryn Mawr Demolition Permit 
Linda Bishop to: Jason Sinyard
Cc: Kelly Maguire, Ken O'Brien

2016/04/04 01:31 PM

History: This message has been replied to.

The name of a property owner is a matter of public record on 1. our assessment roll which is a public document and 2. in the Registry of Deeds for the Province which is a public registry.

Linda S. Bishop, Q.C.
Senior Legal Counsel
Legal Department
City of St. John's
576-6107

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Jason Sinyard

From: Jason Sinyard/CSJ To: Kelly Maguire/CS...

2016/04/04 01:27:44 PM

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@annaedelaney



Re: Bryn Mawr (Baird Cottage)
Jason Sinyard to: Elaine Henley
Cc: Karen Chafe, Sylvester Crocker

2016/04/04 01:34 PM

Syl please handle this. I'm unclear on the legality of releasing the name of the applicant. Please check. Thanks

On Apr 4, 2016, at 12:21 PM, City Clerk and Council <Q2l0eSBDdbGVyayBhbmQgQ291bmNpbC9DU0o=@lnt.noninternet.sub> wrote:

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[REDACTED]



Re: Bryn Mawr - 154 New Cove Road - timelines 
Ken O'Brien to: Arthur MacDonald

2016/04/04 02:04 PM

Starting at March 18, 2016, and counting out 90 days, we arrive at June 16, 2016.

Ken

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Arthur MacDonald [Hi Ken, Thanks for your review of the below:](#) 2016/04/04 09:37:18 AM

From: Arthur MacDonald/CSJ
To: Ken O'Brien/CSJ@CSJ
Date: 2016/04/04 09:37 AM
Subject: Bryn Mawr - 154 New Cove Road

Hi Ken,

Thanks for your review of the below:

Hi Sheilagh,

As per your inquiry, please find below the time lines associated with the Bryn Mawr property at 154 New Cove Road.

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Sheilagh O'Leary	Arthur, Hope you are well.	2016/04/03 01:15:24 PM
From:	Sheilagh O'Leary/CSJ	
To:	Arthur MacDonald/CSJ@csj	
Date:	2016/04/03 01:15 PM	
Subject:	Immediate heritage issue	

Arthur,
Hope you are well.
If you have a moment, could you kindly give me a call at your convenience?
Thanks
Sheilagh


Sent from my iPhone



Bryn Mawr - 154 New Cove Road
Arthur MacDonald to: soleary

2016/04/04 02:04 PM

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Jason Sinyard	From: Jason Sinyard/CSJ To: Ken O'Brien/CSJ...	2016/04/02 05:16:00 PM
From:	Jason Sinyard/CSJ	
To:	Ken O'Brien/CSJ@csj	
Date:	2016/04/02 05:16 PM	
Subject:	Fwd: Bairds Cottage	

Ken please give me your thoughts on this. Thanks

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Danny Breen" <DBreen@stjohns.ca>
Date: April 2, 2016 at 4:20:44 PM NDT
To: "Jason Sinyard" <JSinyard@stjohns.ca>, "Cheryl L Mullett" <CMullett@stjohns.ca>
Cc: "Council_group" <Q291bmNpbF9ncm91cA==@Int.noninternet.sub>
Subject: Bairds Cottage

I believe I raised this before however I can't recall the explanation or answer that I received previously, but why is it that when a property receives a provincial heritage designation it doesn't automatically receive heritage designation from the City? Does the property owner apply for provincial designation or does the province just apply it at their discretion? Usually laws and regs from the province supercede municipal rules.

As a secondary question can the City adopt the provincial designation automatically and if so what challenges does that represent.

Perhaps a discussion on this at a future special meeting or next planning meeting would be useful.

Sent from my iPhone

Danny Breen
Councillor, Ward 1
City of St. John's, NL
Office (709) 576-2332




**Municipal and provincial heritage designation - Baird's Cottage (Bryn Mawr)
154 New Cove Road**

Ken O'Brien to: Jason Sinyard
Bcc: Ken O'Brien

2016/04/04 02:40 PM

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In NL, provincial heritage designations are normally done by the Heritage Foundation of NL, using the term "registered heritage structure". The designation is normally done in co-operation with the owner, but the owner's consent is not required. Provincial designation includes a statement of significance which sets out why the building is important and what its main features are. Provincial designation is primarily commemorative and does not legally preclude demolition.

A property owner who has a registered heritage structure can apply for a grant from the Heritage Foundation of NL. The grant covers up to one-third of exterior renovations done on the structure, to a maximum of \$50,000 per property (used to be \$10,000 per property). If the owner accepts a grant, he or she must sign a covenant with the Heritage Foundation, agreeing to do only the exterior renovations that are in compliance with the statement of significance and which have been agreed to by the Foundation. This would prevent demolition of a property in theory. In practice, demolition could still be done, but the Foundation would go after the owner to at least recoup the grant. This was done a few years ago with a former church in Woody Point, NL, where the building had been designated and received a grant; the building was later torn down and the Heritage Foundation went to court to recover the grant money.

Heritage designation by the City has been done under the St. John's Municipal Plan and Development Regulations (which derive their authority from the Urban and Rural Planning Act) and by adopting a heritage designation by-law for the specific property under authority of the City of St. John's Act. We are moving toward relying only on the City Act for designations, as the Planning Act does not use the term "heritage" whereas the City Act is fairly specific on "heritage".

Council does not need the consent of a property owner to designate a heritage building. In practice, Council usually does designate properties only with consent. The only properties I can recall where Council designated them against the wishes of the owners were the Old General Hospital buildings on Forest Road (now off King Edward Place) and the former convent and orphanage at the Belvedere property off Bonaventure Avenue (now off Margaret's Place).

In the early 2000s, City staff assembles a list of buildings that had been designated federally (their designation is commemorative only) or provincially but not municipally. We contacted the various property owners to ask if they would agree to municipal designation. Based on the Yes responses, we brought a list to Council and those properties were designated municipally. Where the owners said No, the City did not proceed further. We are looking at a similar exercise now through the new Built Heritage Experts Panel.

The City could look at adding properties to our list automatically if they received provincial designation. Council has the authority to designate under the City Act, even in the absence of the owner's consent, and the City is not liable for any loss that an owner would have as a result of designation. Here is the relevant section of the City Act, section 355.

City of St. John's Act - excerpt

355 (7) The council may withhold a permit respecting the application for demolition of a building for a period not exceeding 90 days pending the enactment of a by-law under this section, and where a by-law is enacted within that period, the application shall stand refused; and compensation shall not be payable with respect to a loss or damage suffered by the



Fw: 154 New Cove Road ownership
Arthur MacDonald to: Gareth Griffiths

2016/04/04 02:57 PM

Hi Gareth,

Could you confirm for us the current property owner of 154 New Cove Road.

Thanks,

Arthur MacDonald MCIP
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From: Ken O'Brien/CSJ
To: Arthur MacDonald/CSJ@CSJ
Date: 2016/04/04 01:56 PM
Subject: Re: 154 New Cove Road ownership

Can't hurt. Have a chat with Gareth Griffiths in Assessment to see if the ownership info has changed on the City's assessment roll.

The application form below shows Mrs. Steinhauer as the property owner.

Ken

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Department of Planning, Development and Engineering

BUILDING/DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION

PROPERTY LOCATION

SECTION 1

Civic Address 154 New Cove Road, St.John's NL, A1A 2C9

Suite/Floor _____ Subdivision _____ Lot # _____

Account # _____ Date (yyyy-mm-dd) 2016-03-18

CONTACT INFORMATION

SECTION 2

Applicant Mildred K. Steinhauer

Property Owner Mildred K. Steinhauer

Email _____

Email _____

Mailing Address _____

Mailing Address _____

Newfour

Ne

Telephone (Home) _____ (Work) _____

Telephone (Home) _____ (Work) _____

(Fax) _____ (Cell) _____

(Fax) _____ (Cell) _____

Contractor Cadillac Services Limited

Consultant N/A

Email andrew@cadillacservices.com

Email _____

Mailing Address 97 Clyde Avenue

Mailing Address _____

Mount Pearl, NL Postal Code A1N 4R9

Postal Code _____

Telephone (Home) _____ (Work) _____

Telephone (Home) _____ (Work) _____

(Fax) 709-579-3590 (Cell) _____

(Fax) _____ (Cell) _____

PROJECT INFORMATION

SECTION 3

Have you applied for or will you receive Affordable Housing Funding? YES NO

Tenant, Occupancy, Trade Name, # of Employees _____

Building floor area _____ Project floor area _____ Property/lot area _____ # of on-site parking spaces _____

Please check all that apply:

- Electrical work
- Plumbing work
- Private well installation
(Must be drilled)
- Private septic installation
(GSC approval required)
- Culvert installation
(Must be approved by Streets Dept.)

Description of project Abatement and demolition of the above noted property

Estimated cost of project (\$) 85 000.00

Arthur MacDonald Hi Ken, Should we get legal to look into the own...

2016/03/29 10:09:30 AM

From: Arthur MacDonald/CSJ
To: Ken O'Brien/CSJ@CSJ
Date: 2016/03/29 10:09 AM
Subject: 154 New Cove Road pending Demolition

Hi Ken,

Should we get legal to look into the ownership of 154 New Cove Road.

I believed this was discussed during the Panel's meeting.

Regards,

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Re: Bryn Mawr developer
Sheilagh O'Leary to: Maria Lear

2016/04/04 03:09 PM

Always different names used but KMK is the one.

Sent from my iPhone

On Apr 4, 2016, at 3:00 PM, Maria Lear <[REDACTED]> wrote:

Thanks Sheilagh,

Yes, that's what I thought as well & then I read this (below) on the Wrightland Development FB Page <https://www.facebook.com/WrightlandDev/> from the other day. In my opinion, it's a bit misleading not to state that although the re-development of the *Bryn Mawr* site is not a Wrightland project per se, it is/will be another affiliated KMK Capital company.

Thanks,
Maria

Nicole Denty

April 1 at 3:21pm

Please stop trying to demolish our historically significant properties! For a company with the finances to improve these properties it is shameful to be ripping these homes apart. I know the almighty dollar is the bottom line here, but please try to think beyond that. I know you can! Bryn Mawr should be fixed up. It is a beautiful, stately home and if it was fixed up people would be more than eager to buy it. Tearing out the fireplace mantels and ripping this home apart is not the answer!

1 Like 1 Comment Like · Comment · Share

Chronological

Liz Kyte likes this.

Comments

Paul Fowler Nicole, I'm sorry you are misinformed. Bryn Mawr is not a Wrightland project.

April 2 at 6:39am

Nicole Denty So Cory Thorne and CBC are misinformed, then?

April 2 at 12:04pm

Paul Fowler Yes.

April 2 at 12:07pm

Nicole Denty Seems odd.

April 2 at 1:28pm

To: [REDACTED]

Date: Mon, 4 Apr 2016 14:16:55 -0230

From: SOLeary@stjohns.ca

Subject: Re: Opening Reception: LAURIE LEEHANE- Timelines

Maria,

It is. It's KMK, owner Mr. Kevin King.

Sheilagh

Sent from my iPhone

On Apr 4, 2016, at 1:22 PM, Maria Lear <[REDACTED]> wrote:

For sure, thanks Gerard!

Check this out for Friday at 4:30pm as well....

<http://www.vocm.com/newsarticle.asp?mn=2&id=61661&latest=1>

Just wondering who the developer is that put in the demo app as I heard it was same as Richmond Cottage. Is that true?

Thanks,

-Maria



Re: Bynn Mawr - 154 New Cove Road - designation date 
Ken O'Brien to: Arthur MacDonald

2016/04/04 03:25 PM

Thanks, Arthur.

Ken

Arthur MacDonald

Hi Ken, Kenessa and Karen Ken was right, Sept...

2016/04/04 12:19:16 PM

From: Arthur MacDonald/CSJ
To: Ken O'Brien/CSJ@CSJ, Kenessa Cutler/CSJ@CSJ, Karen Chafe/CSJ@CSJ
Cc: glennbarnes.architecture@bellaliant.net
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To: "Arthur MacDonald" <amacdonald@stjohns.ca>
Date: 2016/04/04 10:03 AM
Subject: RE: Bynn Mawr - 154 New Cove Road

Hi Arthur,

It was designated on September 24, 1993 and the owner's request to revoke designation was denied on May 29, 2015.

Andrea

Andrea O'Brien
Municipal Outreach Officer/Provincial Registrar
Heritage Foundation of Newfoundland & Labrador
P.O. Box 5171, 1 Springdale Street

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From: Arthur MacDonald [<mailto:amacdonald@stjohns.ca>]
Sent: April 4, 2016 9:58 AM
To: andrea
Subject: Bynn Mawr - 154 New Cove Road

Hi Andrea,

Please confirm the date that the Heritage Foundation designated the Bryn Mawr house at 154 New Cove Road. We are trying to sort out the dates whether it was 2004 or September 1993.

Thanks,

Arthur MacDonald MCIP
Planner III - Urban Design and Heritage
City of St. John's Department of Planning, Development and Engineering
10 New Gower Street,
P.O. Box 908,
St. John's, NL
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To: Arthur MacDonald/CSJ@CSJ
Cc: Jessica Whelan/CSJ@CSJ, Dave Wadden/CSJ@CSJ
Date: 2016/04/01 04:31 PM
Subject: Re: WO#65870 Notification: (MS Govern - Workload is not working properly in govern) Priority: Normal

Arthur:

The reason you can't see this property within your workload is because Ken already completed this step (instead of clicking save). If you wish to see this on your Workload - this step must be deleted either by Dave Wadden or Jess Whalen and Ken will have to reassign it to you again.

Hope all this make sense.

Tax Map # 00-6510-0-0710-000-3 | J. P. STEINHAEUER JR. Since Jan 1997

J. P. STEINHAEUER JR. 154 NEW COVE RD ST. JOHN'S NL A1A 2C9

PARCE

Decision

Decision Application # INT1600026

Primary Zoning: RA

(1) Planning & Engineering Activities

14 - Internal Referral

Step	Activity	Date Started	Completed On	Status	Reference #	UserId	Assign to
(20)	Application Received	2016/03/24	2016/03/24	Yes	10	aroberts	Andrea Robe
(40)	Dev Officer Assigned	2016/03/24	2016/04/01	Yes	30	kobrien	Arthur MacD
(120)	New Eng Workflow Required	2016/04/01			40	kobrien	
(120)	Development Engineer Response	2016/04/01			60	kobrien	
(120)	Dev Officer Response	2016/04/01			80	kobrien	
(140)	Application Status				90		
(160)	Response to Applicant Sent?				1030		
(9999)	Workflow Concluded				150		



Comments

Multimedia Link Code

Initiate

Complete

Save

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Back

Exit

Editing Existing Record (1/2)

Thank you

Wing Au
Business Systems Analyst
City of St. John's
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Jason Green

Summary: MS Govern - Workload is not working...

2016/04/01 01:59:00 PM

From: Jason Green/CSJ
To: mtaylor@stjohns.ca
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Date: 2016/04/01 01:59 PM
Subject: WO#65870 Notification: (MS Govern - Workload is not working properly in govern) Priority: Normal

Summary: MS Govern - Workload is not working properly in govern
Work Order #: 65870
Status: Open

Assignments:

Requestor: Arthur MacDonald Call Back Number: 570-2041
Department: Planning and Development

Assigned Technician: Marie Taylor

Type: Software
Subtype: MS Govern
Category:

Date Assigned: Friday, April 1, 2016 1:58:17 PM
Date Opened: Friday, April 1, 2016 1:57:50 PM
Date Closed:

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Description:

Friday, April 1, 2016 1:58:29 PM by Jason Green - (Public)
Original Description
MS Govern - Workload is not working properly in govern

CPU1641
TEL 2041

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Technician Notes:

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Resolution:

Regards,

Jason
IT Service Desk Technician
City of St. John's
Tel: 576 6154
Fax: 576-2329



Re: Fw: 154 New Cove Road ownership 
Gareth Griffiths to: Arthur MacDonald

2016/04/04 03:56 PM

History: This message has been forwarded.

J.P Steinhauer Jr.

According to our records.

Gareth Griffiths
Manager of Assessment

Arthur MacDonald | [Hi Gareth, Could you confirm for us the current p...](#) | 2016/04/04 02:57:49 PM

From: Arthur MacDonald/CSJ
To: Gareth Griffiths/CSJ@CSJ
Date: 2016/04/04 02:57 PM
Subject: Fw: 154 New Cove Road ownership

Hi Gareth,

Could you confirm for us the current property owner of 154 New Cove Road.

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To: Arthur MacDonald/CSJ@CSJ
Date: 2016/04/04 01:56 PM
Subject: Re: 154 New Cove Road ownership

Can't hurt. Have a chat with Gareth Griffiths in Assessment to see if the ownership info has changed on the City's assessment roll.

The application form below shows Mrs. Steinhauer as the property owner.

Ken

.....
Ken O'Brien, MCIP | *Chief Municipal Planner*
City of St. John's - Department of Planning, Development and Engineering
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Department of Planning, Development and Engineering

BUILDING/DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION

PROPERTY LOCATION

SECTION 1

Civic Address 154 New Cove Road, St.John's NL, A1A 2C9

Suite/Floor _____ Subdivision _____ Lot # _____

Account # _____ Date (yyyy-mm-dd) 2016-03-18

CONTACT INFORMATION

SECTION 2

Applicant Mildred K. Steinhauer

Property Owner Mildred K. Steinhauer

Email _____

Email _____

Mailing Address _____

Mailing Address _____

Newfour

Ne

Telephone (Home) _____ (Work) _____

Telephone (Home) _____ (Work) _____

(Fax) _____ (Cell) _____

(Fax) _____ (Cell) _____

Contractor Cadillac Services Limited

Consultant N/A

Email andrew@cadillacservices.com

Email _____

Mailing Address 97 Clyde Avenue

Mailing Address _____

Mount Pearl, NL Postal Code A1N 4R9

Postal Code _____

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PROJECT INFORMATION

SECTION 3

Have you applied for or will you receive Affordable Housing Funding? YES NO

Tenant, Occupancy, Trade Name, # of Employees _____

Building floor area _____ Project floor area _____ Property/lot area _____ # of on-site parking spaces _____

Please check all that apply:

- Electrical work
- Plumbing work
- Private well installation
(Must be drilled)
- Private septic installation
(GSC approval required)
- Culvert installation
(Must be approved by Streets Dept.)

Description of project Abatement and demolition of the above noted property

Estimated cost of project (\$) 85 000.00

Arthur MacDonald

Hi Ken, Should we get legal to look into the own...

2016/03/29 10:09:30 AM



Re: Bryn Mawr Demolition
Sheilagh O'Leary to: Liz Kyte

2016/04/04 07:10 PM

Hello Liz,
I am not an organizer but you can find information via Historic Trust and on Facebook.
See you there
Sheilagh

> On Apr 4, 2016, at 12:28 PM, Liz Kyte [REDACTED]
>
> Hello,
>
> I recently read an article on the telegram which suggested that a rally had been planned to protest
> against the proposed demolition of the Bryn Mawr property. I wonder if you could provide any details
> about the rally, since you've been a spokesperson for preserving the property.
>
> Thanks,
> Elizabeth Kyte
> (St. John's resident and Heritage Carpentry graduate!)



Re: Please Stop Demolition of Baird Cottage Immediately
Dennis O'Keefe to: Kim Todd

2016/04/04 08:28 PM

Kim

Thanks. Will do what we can within our authority and respecting the rights of the current owners!

Sent from my iPhone

On Apr 4, 2016, at 11:31 AM, Kim Todd <[REDACTED]> wrote:

great. looking forward to an outcome that protects and respects our past, present and future

k

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think planet. live local.

kim todd, abc 709 682 3955

www.thegreenrock.ca

fbook -

<http://www.thegreenrock.ca>

<image002.jpg> *Seen any lazy dogs?*

www.thequickbrownfox.ca

From: Dennis O'Keefe [<mailto:DOKeefe@stjohns.ca>]

Sent: April-01-16 7:33 PM

To: Kim Todd <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Re: Please Stop Demolition of Baird Cottage Immediately

Kim

Thank you for your email. We will do what is within our ability and authority to do!

Dennis O'Keefe
Mayor
City of St. John's
City Hall, P.O. Box 908
10 New Gower Street
St. John's, NL, A1C 5M2
Tel: 709-576-8477
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Email: dokeefe@stjohns.ca
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-----"Kim Todd" <[REDACTED]>: -----

To: <dokeefe@stjohns.ca>, <rellsworth@stjohns.ca>, <dbreen@stjohns.ca>, <jgalgay@stjohns.ca>, <btilley@stjohns.ca>, <soleary@stjohns.ca>, <wcollins@stjohns.ca>, <thann@stjohns.ca>, <shickman@stjohns.ca>, <



Bryn Mawr/Baird Cottage Heritage Status
Cory Thorne to: citycouncil

2016/04/04 08:50 PM

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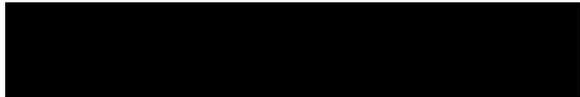
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Claire Wilkshire, PhD

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Fw: CrossTalk phone-in today on heritage buildings

Kelly Maguire to: Dave Lane, Sandy Hickman

2016/04/05 10:46 AM

History:

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Thanks!
Kelly

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2016/04/05 11:07 AM

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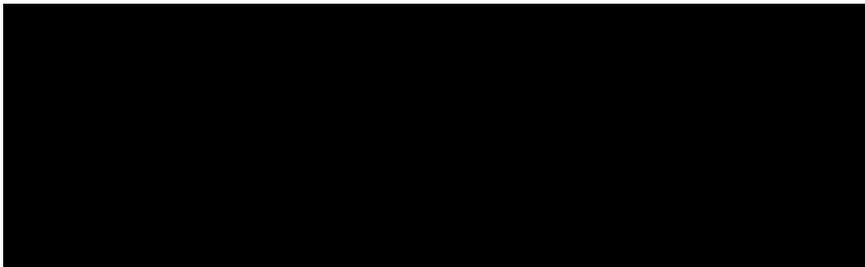
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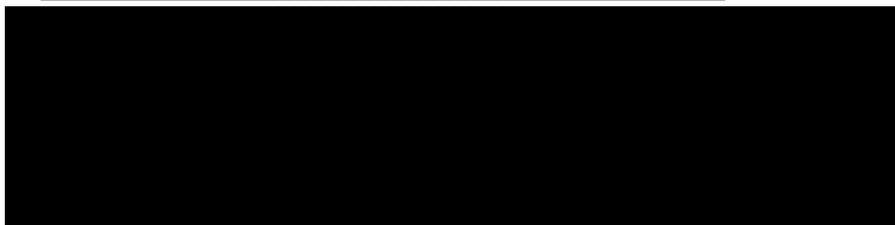
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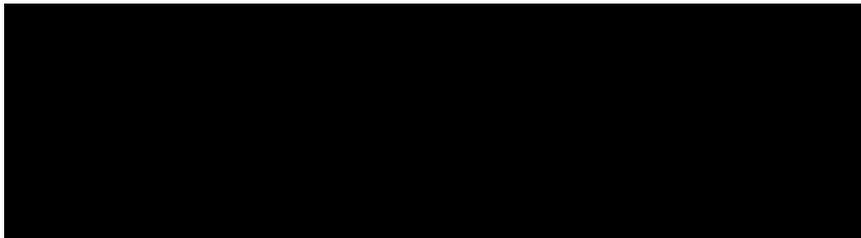
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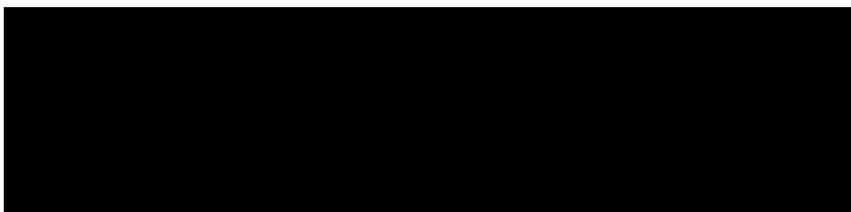
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Art Puddister to: Cory Thorne

2016/04/05 11:12 AM

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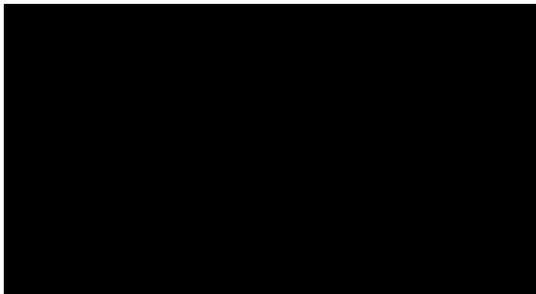
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Sandy Hickman to: Dave Lane

Cc: Kelly Maguire

2016/04/05 11:49 AM

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Kelly Maguire to: Sandy Hickman
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2016/04/05 11:51 AM

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Re: Please save Baird's Cottage
Sheilagh O'Leary to: Claire Wilkshire

2016/04/05 12:14 PM

Claire,

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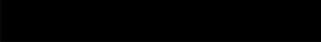
Thank you for your email.

Cheers

Sheilagh

Ward 4 Councillor

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On Apr 5, 2016, at 10:25 AM, Claire Wilkshire  > wrote:

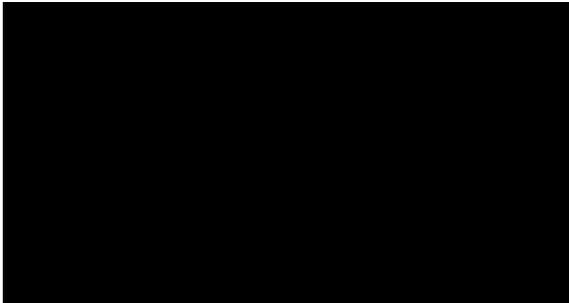
Dear councillors,

Please do everything in your power to protect and preserve Baird's Cottage (Bryn Mawr). Too many of the buildings that showcase our history have been destroyed. Don't let's turn all of St. John's into a strip mall!

Thank you.

Claire Wilkshire, PhD

Claire Wilkshire Language Services



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Bryn mawr.
Sandy Hickman to: Arthur MacDonald

2016/04/05 12:23 PM

Not sure about spelling!

I need some info quick. Please. What did experts panel say. Do you have the notes or minute of that.

Also how is your exercise in developing the new policy going. Can you send me what you have?

I am going in radio in a few minutes

Thanks s million

Sent from my iPhone



Preserve the historic 154 New Cove Road house , known as Baird's Cottage!

STEPHEN SHARPE to: citycouncil@stjohns.ca

2016/04/05 12:36 PM

Please respond to STEPHEN SHARPE

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Re: Bryn mawr. 
Arthur MacDonald to: Sandy Hickman

2016/04/05 12:36 PM

Hi Sandy,

As per your request, please see a DRAFT copy of the motion approved by the Panel during the meeting of March 23, 2016.

154 New Cove Road – Application to demolish

The above listed property, 154 New Cove Road, is a Queen Anne style cottage dating back to the early 1900s. It was designated as a Registered Heritage Structure by the Heritage Foundation of NL in September 1993, but never designated as such by the City. Presently, there is an application to demolish. As there is an application for demolition, Council has 90 days to designate it as a heritage property. If designated, it cannot be demolished without Council's consent. The Provincial designation does not save the property from demolition. No development applications have been submitted.

As per the Heritage Foundation of NL's Statement of Significance, the Experts Panel recommends that Council designate the house as a "Heritage Building" and include the building within the City's Registry of Heritage Buildings.

The draft of the proposed Heritage By-law is still being worked on. I am hoping that a draft will be ready for the next meeting of the Panel.

Regards,

Arthur MacDonald MCIP
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2016/04/05 12:23:17 PM



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Sheilagh O'Leary to: STEPHEN SHARPE

2016/04/05 01:05 PM

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2016/04/05 02:46 PM

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Arthur MacDonald

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2016/04/05 08:57:37 AM

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2016/04/05 02:52 PM

Thanks, Gareth.

Ken

Gareth Griffiths

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Re: CBC News : Demolition permit application submitted to demolish Bryn Mawr in St. John's

Katherine Deborah Hann to: Dave Lane

2016/04/05 03:01 PM

History:

This message has been replied to.

Hello Dave Lane,

In response to today's discussion on CBC Crosstalk, I am proposing that the City of St. John's include a public feed on Bryn Mawr as part of its engagement policy. Perhaps best for the City to position itself on behalf on the ongoing dialogue and collective comments as well as include citizens in this process moving forward.

For your consideration,
Katherine Deborah Hann

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On Apr 04, 2016, at 02:23 PM, Katherine Deborah Hann <[REDACTED]> wrote:

Hello Dave Lane,

Great to hear from you!

I can imagine you have been getting many inquiries on this matter. And I do understand the demand of burning the candle at both ends... neither, easy tasks.

Since contacting you Friday, I have gone through many levels of research on this particular issue and have found an interesting place to land. If there is anything I can send you that might be helpful, please let me know.

Much appreciation for your continued communication,
Katherine Deborah Hann

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On Apr 04, 2016, at 09:17 AM, Dave Lane <dlane@stjohns.ca> wrote:

Hi Katherine,

Thanks for getting in touch! I hope you're well.

As you can imagine, I have been getting quite a number of emails about this topic. Unfortunately we are down a developer at Dc design house so I have been burning the candle at both ends lately :-)

If it's all right with you, could you send me some of your thoughts via email, and I can get back to you in the very near future once I've had some time to process this all. I have been speaking with a couple of my Council colleagues and hopeful we will respond appropriately as a Council.



Re: Bryn Mawr
Art Puddister to: Elizabe

2016/04/05 04:28 PM

Thank you for your e mail,
Art Puddister

Sent from my iPad

> On Apr 1, 2016, at 8:47 PM, Elizabe <[REDACTED]> wrote:

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> Good day,

>

> I would like to express my position on the application for demolition of Bryn Mawr. This house has been such a historical icon for our city. It has opened up discussion on many occasions, in my family and with visitors to the province, on the growth of the city. How the city centre has changed etc. being such a property of distinction outside of the downtown core truly provides understanding of how city life was and the distances which had to be travelled to "cottages".

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> I strongly oppose the demolition of this structure. Please forward this email to the Heritage committee.

>

> Thank you,

> Elizabeth Whelan Hollett

>

> Sent from my iPhone



Dennis O'Keefe to: Cheryl L Mullett

2016/04/05 08:55 PM

Hi Cheryl

If we declare Baird Cottage a Heritage structure, is there any liability involved on the part of the City?

Sent from my iPhone



Re: Preserve the historic 154 New Cove Road house, known as Baird's Cottage!

Dave Lane to: STEPHEN SHARPE

2016/04/05 09:02 PM

Hi Steve,

Thanks for getting in touch on this issue. I'm advocating for its designation, and I feel we're making progress. We will likely be discussing it in Council in the next two weeks!

Cheers,
Dave

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Re: Ongoing demolition of Baird Cottage
John Wicks to: Dave Lane

2016/04/06 08:13 AM

Thanks Dave,
Would love to see you as mayor of St. John's.
John

From: Dave Lane <dlane@stjohns.ca>
Sent: April 5, 2016 10:02 PM
To: John Wicks
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Hi John,
Thanks a lot for getting in touch about this. Our history with heritage is certainly a spotted one. I'm hopeful we're moving toward denying demolition for the Baird property, and contrary to how it's being portrayed in the media I'm fairly optimistic about our chances to find a buyer for Richmond Cottage.
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On Apr 2, 2016, at 01:25, John Wicks <[REDACTED]> wrote:

As a former archaeologists who worked on the Rooms project for 18 months and witnessed the destruction of a large portion of an intact 18th century fort (and have the pictures and video to prove it), I'm very concerned that demolition has already started on the interior of Baird Cottage, without approval. During my 17 years working as an archaeologists in St. John's I witnessed the destruction of countless historic buildings. For a city that claims to be the oldest in North America we have very little to show for it. I believe it's time that SOME of you get your shit together and help protect what little remains of our heritage.

John Wicks

Fed up and over charged taxpayer





Re: couple of things
Jerry Dick to: Dave Lane

2016/04/06 09:25 AM

History: This message has been replied to.

Hi Dave:

I could meet first thing on Thursday morning if you were available. How about 8:30 at Starbucks 351 Water? I can fill you in on some broader discussions we are having with the Trust and the city on longer term strategies to encourage the adaptive reuse of heritage buildings.

Jerry

On Apr 3, 2016, at 9:38 AM, Dave Lane <dlane@stjohns.ca> wrote:

Hey Jerry!

Great to hear from you, and congratulations on the new role! I was speaking with George on Thursday and he informed me. You're perfectly suited for it, and I'm happy to see you there :)

Tomorrow at 3pm is the same time as Council's weekly special meeting unfortunately, though I'd like to be there. Can we try for Tuesday at 3pm downtown? Otherwise we could try Thursday morning?

Dave

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On Apr 1, 2016, at 16:31, Jerry Dick <jerry@heritagefoundation.ca> wrote:

Hi Dave:

I'm not sure if you have heard but this week I took over from George Chalker as ED at the Heritage Foundation NL. I am quite pumped about the opportunity. I'd like to sit own over coffee sometime and discuss how the Foundation and the City can work together more to protect and promote heritage. Please let me know of a convenient time.

In the meantime, Bryn Mawr has emerged as an issue as you know. On Monday at 3:00 I am hoping to meet with the NHT and the city's new heritage planner, Arthur here at the Foundation. Feel free to join us if you like. I want to try to find some constructive avenues that will allow us, ideally, to move from a reactionary to a pro-active position with respect to saving and adaptively reusing significant heritage structures.

I look forward to connecting again.

Cheers,

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Media Headlines - April 6, 2016

Kelly Maguire to: Council_group, Executives, Directors, Cindy McGrath, Ken O'Brien, Janet Adams, Strategy & Engagement

2016/04/06 09:51 AM



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TELEGRAM- Clewing up new walkways



A pair of construction workers install the last few exterior panels on the pedestrian overhead walkway leading from the St. John's Convention Centre expansion across Waldegrave Street onto New Gower Street that leads to the new entrance to the Delta Hotel. After a couple of years of major work and refit in a multimillion-dollar expansion and upgrade. The convention centre is expected to be open for business again in May.

TELERGRAM - Rally planned to save historic house

The N.L. Historic Trust is planning a rally Friday afternoon on New Cove Road to protest the proposed demolition of a historic house.

Cory Thorne, board member with the N.L. Historic Trust, said he's hopeful people are sufficiently frustrated about historic buildings getting torn down that they'll make themselves heard in a way that politicians notice.

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St. John's Heritage Policy Backwards Compared to Other Cities : Architect

Wednesday , April 6 2016 | 8:52:09 AM

An architectural designer who has done work across the country and in Europe says even relatively young cities like Vancouver appear to be doing heritage right.

Jeff Adams was responding to the current controversy surrounding a number of heritage properties that have either already been torn down or are under threat in the capital city. Adams told VOXM Backtalk with Pete Soucy that even in a heated real estate market like Vancouver, they have a stringent system set up for heritage preservation.

<http://www.voxm.com/newsarticle.asp?mn=2&id=61709&latest=1>

Temperance Street condo company faces bankruptcy push

Creditors who say they are owed more than \$2.4 million are going to court to push the company behind a stalled St. John's condo plan into bankruptcy.

Some of the investors put retirement money into the Temperance Street project.

<http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/newfoundland-labrador/temperance-street-condo-developer-bankruptcy-application-1.3521677>

Media Headlines - April 5, 2016

Tourist Season Ahead of Pace in Capital City

Tuesday , April 5 2016 | 3:56:26 PM

Hoteliers in the capital city area are feeling bullish about the upcoming tourism season despite a slowing economy.

Cathy Duke of Destination St. John's says they regularly survey their members and found that bookings for May to October are already ahead of this time last year.

<http://www.voxm.com/newsarticle.asp?mn=2&id=61691&latest=1>

VOXM Open Line - Tue, April 05, 2016

CITY OF ST. JOHN'S WAGE FREEZE MOTION: St. John's City Councillor "Jonathan Galgay" explains the motivation and logic behind his proposal of a wage freeze at Council. He says the public want the City to save what they can in-house rather than increasing taxes and cutting services to the people. He is surprised he hasn't had more support within Council on this. He says Mayor Dennis O'Keefe is not pleased with him over this. There are automatic pay increases for management and Mr Galgay says he thinks it might be an unwritten rule as opposed to anything official. He wants to see if they can get around these automatic raises. Mr Galgay believes a wage freeze could lead to keeping the mil rate down and keep taxes down for 2017.

MANAGER SALARIES WITH COSJ: "Linda" is calling to comment on the call from Councillor Galgay. She said that some managers are getting \$223,000 a year and she thinks that is outrageous. She is a public servant and makes \$36,000 as a seasonal worker and it makes her wonder why people are getting paid so much. She says there are a lot of managers with the city and how can the city afford to pay these high salaries?

VOXM 1pm News - Tue, April 05, 2016

SPRING CLEANUP: Spring cleanup has begun in St. John's. And after those brutal winds of the past few days, there will be a lot of debris and litter to deal with. ["Lynnann Winsor", Director of Public Works]

NORMAN ON BAIRD COTTAGE: It appears as though St. John's loss is Bonavista's gain. A man who has made a lucrative business out of developing the town of Bonavista's built heritage says he's devastated to see what is happening in North America's oldest city.

VOXM NL Today - Tue, April 05, 2016

ST. JOHN'S CITY COUNCILLOR CRITICAL OF LATEST BUDGET: The Mayor launched into a five-minute address at the St. John's City Council meeting last night, talking about how the City is a well-run economic machine, but at least one councillor disagrees. Councillor "Sheilagh O'Leary" earned a seat in a by-election after the budget process was finished and she has been critical of past decisions in light of what she feels are high taxes.

VOCM Back Talk - Tue, April 05, 2016

HERITAGE STRUCTURES: "Jeff Adams" is calling to talk about heritage structures. He comments on the regulations in Vancouver where they have come up with a way to protect the older properties from being destroyed. He can't understand how the City of St. John's allows for permits without even setting policy about how the property can be developed.

CBC 5pm News - Tue, April 05, 2016

TWO METROBUSES DECORATED WITH BEAUMONT-HAMEL CENTENNIAL SIGNAGE: There may be a unique Beaumont-Hamel tribute coming to a bus stop near you. ["Dean Brinton", The Rooms CEO]

VOCM Evening News - Tue, April 05, 2016

QUESTIONS ABOUT LOAN TO ANN SQUIRES: Questions remain about Ron Ellsworth's loan in 2013 to Anne Squires of Exit Realty on the Rock

CBC Here & Now - Tue, April 05, 2016

GALGAY DEFENDS HIS WAGE FREEZE PROPOSAL: The bloodletting might continue at St. John's City Hall is one councillor has his way. CBNT (CBC TV) - Here & Now @ 06:44:10pm
Duration: 00:04:15 Reporter: Debbie Cooper/Jonathan Crowe

NTV Evening Newshour - Tue, April 05, 2016

NTV - Winter Storm

It may be April, but winter isn't over yet. Snow began falling on eastern Newfoundland on Tuesday, with 30 centimetres expected by Wednesday morning. NTV's Jodi Cooke reports.
UPDATE: The snow was not as heavy as expected in the St. John's area. The English School District has kept metro schools open for the day. Some other schools have closed for the morning.

<http://ntv.ca/april-snow-blankets-eastern-newfoundland/>

GALGAY SAYS MAYOR NOT ON BOARD WITH WAGE FREEZE PROPOSAL: St. John's City Councillor "Jonathan Galgay" is calling out Mayor "Dennis O'Keefe" tonight because Galgay says the Mayor is not on board with the wage freeze for management at City Hall.

<http://ntv.ca/galgay-calls-out-mayor-for-opposition-to-management-wage-freeze/>

PITTS MEMORIAL OVERPASS A SAFETY CONCERN: St. John's City Councillor "Wally Collins" says that he is concerned about the condition of an overpass at Pitt's Memorial Drive.



Bryn Mawr
mwatson to: citycouncil
Please respond to mwatson

2016/04/06 10:36 AM

Hello Everybody on Council---

Here is a chance to get it RIGHT for a change! Please know that I, and many others, are watching you.

Mary.



RE: Comment
Ellis, Richard to: 'Dave Lane'

2016/04/06 01:07 PM

History:

This message has been replied to.

Dave,

Thanks for your reply. Your news is heartening, indeed. While there is a limited number of large properties with 19thC dwellings, the focus of discussions around Richmond Hill, Baird Cottage and 25 Winter Ave, there are other dwellings that should be on the list before a new owner demolishes them in favour of a more recent style. There may not be a single example left intact of the post-war story and a half that characterized Churchill Park, an area recognized as Canada's earliest planned community.

The focus on individual dwellings should not blind us to the importance of streetscapes. There were once three turn of the century (19th Century) dwellings in a row on my street. Now there are only two. The loss diminishes the impact. Luckily, the two buildings remaining are on lots too narrow to be redeveloped and have been kept up.

Robert Mellin, in his address to Convocation at Memorial last spring, noted that when he arrived first in St. John's, in 1971, the city core was largely intact. I remember it then, as well. We have lost a great deal. I noted some years back that Montreal had taken steps to preserve the streetscapes by requiring that façades be preserved and new buildings be set back from the street in order to avoid the sort of thing that Atlantic Place represents in St. John's.

I have often thought that, in addition to structures that are deemed important to retain, a list of structures that would not be allowed under more progressive heritage programs be maintained. A sort of black list signaling that permits for renovation would only be issued if the work proposed to bring the structure closer to those more progressive standards.

I look forward to hearing more in the fullness of time. In the interim, can I share your comments below with Shane, Jim and Suzanne?

dick

From: Dave Lane [mailto:dlane@stjohns.ca]
Sent: Tuesday, April 05, 2016 10:12 PM
To: Ellis, Richard
Subject: Re: Comment

Hi Dick,

Yes, "Dave" is totally fine. Thanks for asking.

And thanks for these suggestions. You'll be happy to learn that our new heritage planner at the City is working on some very robust enhancements and clarifications to our by-laws and is also

proposing some financial support options that the City can entertain. I'm hopeful we'll see a couple of tax incentives similar to what you describe.

The fruits of these efforts will be announced in the coming weeks and months as they are vetted by legal, the planning department, and Council, though I believe a list of significant properties worthy of designation -- and a recommendation to start contacting their owners to pursue said designation -- will be announced in a couple of weeks.

Talk soon,
Dave

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On Apr 1, 2016, at 07:59, Ellis, Richard <richard.ellis@stjohns.ca> wrote:
Dave,

(Please excuse the informality, as I don't think we have met.)

I am making this comment outside the general mailing list on Richmond Hill.

I have, since 1988, lived across from the property being developed. It was nice living across from Central Park, but I always suspected that the situation could not last. I could never understand why the property did not sell when the owner previous to the developer put it on the market. In the day, houses of much less distinction were going up in King William Estates at about the same cost.

Perhaps the City's tax regime has a role to play here. Many of the remaining large residences are situated on very large lots. The value of the oversize lot must play into the tax rate, making subdivision inevitable. Perhaps, for designated properties (there cannot be a dozen left at this time) the city could give some sort of temporary tax relief as long as the property was used as a private residence, or in some other approved use. The relief would not have to be permanent, but constitute a sort of lien on the property, increasing annually, subject to the continued use in the approved fashion. Such a plan would encourage the preservation of these properties and the buildings on them by making it more economical for private residential owners.

Were the council to receive a proposal to subdivide, all the tax arrears would be payable up front by the developer.

This is not fool-proof, but as long as our heritage structures are at the mercy of the market for land, it might encourage uses better aligned with the City's regard for heritage structures. (Great leap of faith, eh?)

dick



Re: 154 New Cove
Sheilagh O'Leary to: Kevin Breen
Cc: Council_group, Cheryl L Mullett

2016/04/06 02:19 PM

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Regards,
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Sent from my iPhone

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Ken O'Brien to: Kelly Maguire

2016/04/06 02:54 PM

Cc: Jason Sinyard, Arthur MacDonald

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Cc:	Ken O'Brien/CSJ@CSJ	
Date:	2016/04/06 01:37 PM	
Subject:	Re: Fw: heritage home on New Cove	

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Jason Sinyard	Did you mean to send this to Ken O'Brien rather...	2016/04/06 01:33:08 PM
Kelly Maguire	Good Afternoon, Please see media inq below an...	2016/04/06 01:31:36 PM



Re: 154 New Cove Road (Bryn Mawr or Baird Cottage), provincial heritage designation 

Kelly Maguire to: Ken O'Brien
Cc: Jason Sinyard, Arthur MacDonald

2016/04/06 03:01 PM

Follow Up: Normal Priority.

Thank you very much, I have provided info to reporter.
Kelly

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Art Puddister to: Kevin Breen
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2016/04/06 03:16 PM

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I understand the desire for homeowners to recognize capital gains from the sale of their homes but it was clear when this home was purchased that it was an important landmark in St. John's. I'm not sure I am particularly qualified or well located to do much but I would be happy to participate in defining what options could be pursued to maintain this property.

I hope that City Council votes in opposition of this destruction.

Sincerely,
Caroline Baird



Re: CBC Reports - Mould Richmond Cottage and Demolition Bryn Mawr

Dave Lane to: Paul Fowler

2016/04/06 06:11 PM

Thanks Paul,

Staff have been keeping me / us inform vis-a-vis the mould realities, which line up with what you have below.

Your message to CBC highlights why I want to connect with you personally, and is reflected in why I said we are "out of step." I am the last person that wants Wrightland to look bad and the best way to avoid it is for us to get connected ASAP.

Tomorrow is a bit tougher scheduling-wise so please feel free to call me tonight [REDACTED]. If not tonight, can we set a time so that we make this happen? 8am, 10am, 1:30pm onward, are all options.

It doesn't have to be a long call, but the sooner we chat, the better.

Dave

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On Apr 6, 2016, at 17:58, Paul Fowler <[REDACTED]> wrote:

FYI

From: Paul Fowler <[REDACTED]>

Date: Tuesday, April 5, 2016 at 3:55 PM

To: "Kathryn.breen@cbc.ca" <Kathryn.breen@cbc.ca>, "andrew.sampson@cbc.ca" <andrew.sampson@cbc.ca>, "laura.howells@cbc.ca" <laura.howells@cbc.ca>, "anna.delaney@cbc.ca" <anna.delaney@cbc.ca>

Cc: Dana Penney <[REDACTED]>, "tim.richards@cbc.ca" <tim.richards@cbc.ca>

Subject: CBC Reports - Mould Richmond Cottage and Demolition Bryn Mawr

Katie / Anna / Laura / Andrew,

It is unfortunate your reporting (online, Radio and TV) is formulated in such manner to suit the context of a story you wish to portray. (i.e. Developer deterring prospective buyers from purchasing heritage home, same developer who is associated with Richmond Cottage seeking approval to demolish Bryn Mawr, etc.).

<http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/newfoundland-labrador/black-mould-st-john-s-heritage-1.3518166>

I spoke with Katie Saturday morning and advised that it would be best if she contacted the City on Monday to gain understanding and verification of the requirement associated with the notice posted at Richmond Cottage.

This situation is not representative of a developer attempting to negatively affect prospective

interest in the sale of a property, or a Realtor being out of step with the City, it is a case of a company as property owner acting responsibly to ensure protection and safety of the public by implementing required measures, as per regulations of Occupational Health and Safety and advice of Environmental Authorities. Further, it is a directive to mitigate exposure to liability. See excerpts below from Occupational Health and Safety regulations regarding indoor air quality. These measures were followed by Wrightland's Project Manager in accordance with her responsibilities. Given that the property is now listed on MLS and available for public access, the action to post notice was prudent and quite necessary.

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Further, I did not decline comment with Katie in our telephone conversation Saturday morning as reported. I had a discussion with Katie. She asked if I could meet her that day and I said I was unavailable over the weekend, but could meet next week. Further, as mentioned, I suggested it would be best to first contact the City, as this would objectively help clarify the issue associated with her call.

Additionally, I sent two emails to CBC and Anna (On Friday, April 1st) advising that Wrightland did not submit an application to the City for demolition of Bryn Mawr and I requested immediate correction. Further, I advised Katie Saturday of this misinformation and she said that she would check into it. The article was published Friday, April 1st and was not edited until Monday morning, April 4th. Unfortunately, much too late.

<http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/newfoundland-labrador/heritage-buildings-demolish-bryn-mawr-1.3516311>

Finally, the neighbouring property owners to Richmond Cottage contacted me yesterday saying that CBC Radio reported Richmond Cottage as civic 18 Old Topsail Road. This is incorrect. Richmond Cottage is published as an active RE/MAX and MLS real estate listing - civic 4-6 McLea Place. The neighbours were understandably concerned over the CBC Radio discussion regarding mould and the inference that may be made that it was in relation to their property, which is about to be listed for sale.

The foregoing, plus additional commentary, represents significant inaccurate reporting on the part of CBC.

Regards,
Paul

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Paul Fowler

St. John's, [REDACTED]

Guidelines Part 4 - Indoor air quality

G4.79 Moulds and indoor air quality

Issued June 14, 2002; Revised February 8, 2007

Regulatory excerpt

Section 4.79(1) of the *OHS Regulation* ("*Regulation* ") states in part:

The employer must ensure that the indoor air quality is investigated when

(a) complaints are reported...

Section 4.79(2) states in part:

An air quality investigation must include...

(c) sampling for airborne contaminants suspected to be present in concentrations associated with the reported complaints...

Section 3.10 states:

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<CBC Report.tiff>



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> Sincerely,

> Caroline Baird



Re: Heritage properties
Sheilagh O'Leary to: Gerald Locke

2016/04/06 07:13 PM

Sandra,

Thank you for your email and comment. Heritage preservation is a complex issue and we are presently investigating incentives to ensure such historic buildings like Bryn Mawr stay in our city, without a burdensome cost to taxpayers.

Regards
Sheilagh
Ward 4 Councillor

Sent from my iPhone

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Thank you Sandra Locke

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> Sent from my iPad



Bryn Mawr
Coleen Jones to: citycouncil

2016/04/06 09:13 PM

History:

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Virus-



Re: Bryn Mawr
Sheilagh O'Leary to: Coleen Jones

2016/04/06 09:17 PM

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Art Puddister to: Coleen Jones

2016/04/07 10:32 AM

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2016/04/07 02:24 PM

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All the best!
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Jonathan Galgay to: Katherine Deborah Hann

2016/04/07 03:04 PM

Cc: Dave Lane, Sheilagh O'Leary, Sandy Hickman

Thank you very much for this information. I will take the opportunity over the next few days to review the information provided.

Regards,
Jonathan

Jonathan P. Galgay
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[\(709\) 576 7144](tel:7095767144)

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Katherine Deborah Hann to: Sheilagh O'Leary

2016/04/07 03:47 PM

Cc: Sandy Hickman, Dave Lane, Jonathan Galgay

Thank you, Councillor O'Leary.

A pleasure, as always. I look forward to speaking with Arthur MacDonald on this regard and/or any other heritage matter of assistance to city council.

Much appreciation to you (and all),

Katherine Deborah Hann

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Re: Heritage, changing mindset
Sheilagh O'Leary to: Rhonda Hutton
Cc: Sandy Hickman, Dave Lane

2016/04/07 09:41 PM

Rhonda,

I am so on board with this concept.

Monday, I am putting forward a Notice of Motion to designate Bryn Mawr a St. John's heritage property.

If successful at its vote of council (the following week), this will put a stop to the immediate issue of the demo order.

We will chat more for certain and thanks for the Savanagh information.

The St. John's City Act is always the excuse I hear for not being able to offer tax incentives.

That's where I'd like to push it as well. I need to learn more about that. Grants are great, but tax incentives trumps all.

And I love the modern interior juxtaposition concept and I think this could be a turning point for heritage preservation in this city ...

Katherine Hann has lots of smart things to say, as well, about Municipal heritage. With lots of good minds working together, we will make good decisions for heritage preservation/celebration.

Regards,

Sheilagh

Sent from my iPhone

On Apr 7, 2016, at 6:50 PM, Rhonda Hutton <[REDACTED]> wrote:

Hello all

Regarding our current heritage property issue. Or rather the ongoing issue. I am sending this to you three because I think you all agreed in the media we should try and save the property. Some or all of this noted below you may know, so skip over the parts that are yada yada to you.

We don't have to reinvent the wheel on heritage preservation and business models that could fit our city. There are models out there where cities and heritage trust organizations have incentives in place. Getting an award is nice, but tax incentives and other types of incentives need to be in place. Savannah (see below) has a great model. Example. If the house is valued at \$100,000 pre reno, the developer puts in \$500k, the tax rate would be held at \$100k for a determined number of years. And I could go on with incentives. The big challenge - the will. Decision makers and developers need to consider the best practices of other regions. Are we going to be Dartmouth? Or do we want to be the oldest coolest city city in North America. Restoration and preservation can be profitable. We need to work together.

When I was in Charleston, in one of the offices we visited they had a picture of a small art gallery, think Peter Lewis size. It was a picture of a very modern looking glass building in Dusseldorf with these incredible beams running through it. The placard on the outside of the building said- the trees to build this building were harvested 300 years ago, we could not cut them down again. Inside were date stamps of the age of the tree. The beams were part of the art gallery. They saved the heritage that made sense.

The notion of Heritage preservation, in our sometimes cynical city, needs to change. It is not backward thinking and saving old stuff for old stuff sake.

You can't force property owners to be designated. That fact is missing with the outrage with the city. I think this needs to be communicated.

If a developer could recognize that turning a historical property into a modern space is a very cool thing then we could catch up with other regions. We need to get home owners on side early on. Not when they are 82 years old and need to leave.

The juxtaposition of a 1800s exterior mixed with modern amenities is a design concept adapted in many places and has been done here.

I could go on with Gen X and Y ideas of smaller eclectic spaces, kitchen gardens and OMG what that space could be but I will leave that to the pros.

I leave you with a quote from Savannah and a economic impact study of protecting heritage. We could scale this to our city. They had 5 times the buildings to restore than we need to consider. So on scale, the model is there.

Less outrage, less picketing, more thoughtful action.

Keep up the good work.

If I can help let me know.

Thanks for the time.

Rhonda

"The founding of Historic Savannah Foundation began with a catalyst – the impending destruction of the Isaiah Davenport House, an 1820s brick home on Columbia Square in 1955. Through the tenacity of an unlikely band of activists, the house was saved and the organization founded. Since that time, Savannah has achieved an international reputation for historic preservation and today boasts a billion dollar tourist industry."

http://www.myhsf.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/05/HSF-Beyond-Tourism-Report-2015-FINAL_optimized.pdf

Sent from my iPad



Beothuks & Bulldozers

Jeremy Bryant to: Maria Lear, Gerard Hayes HAC , Sandy Hickman Hickman CSJ Coun HAC 2016/04/08 09:26 AM
Ken O'Brien CSJ Mgr Planning HAC, "Karen Chafe CSJ CityHall",
Cc: Peter Jackson Architect HAC , Dave Lane CSJ At-Large , George Chalker HFNL HAC, Lydia Lewycky Mgr Atlantic Planner/Arch HAC,

Interesting article by archeologist Gerald Penney. Especially the references to how things were just taken down without much thought to documenting or preserving anything. At least Gerald had the foresight or as he suggests 'pursuit of datable artifacts' to pull the only artifacts from the site in 1979. I wonder what is happening to the datable artifacts at Bryn Mawr.

Also, note on page 36 we had a 'small Gothic masterpiece' on the southside at one point, its a shame we don't anymore..

Jeremy

From: Maria Lear [mailto:m████████████████████]
Sent: Monday, April 04, 2016 2:57 PM
To: Gerard Hayes HAC; Sandy Hickman Hickman CSJ Coun HAC
Cc: Ken O'Brien CSJ Mgr Planning HAC; Karen Chafe CSJ CityHall; Peter Jackson Architect HAC; Dave Lane CSJ At-Large; George Chalker HFNL HAC; Lydia Lewycky Mgr Atlantic Planner/Arch HAC; Garnet Kindervater CHBA HAC; Jeremy Bryant; Taryn Sheppard Architect HAC; Shannie Duff HAC; Sheilagh O'Leary CSJ Coun; Wayne Purchase Downtown SJ HAC
Subject: RE: Opening Reception: LAURIE LEEHANE- Timelines

Yes, that's what I thought as well & then I read this (below) on the Wrightland Development FB Page <https://www.facebook.com/WrightlandDev/> from the other day. In my opinion, it's misleading not to state when directly questioned by a member of the public that although the re-development of the *Bryn Mawr* site is not a Wrightland project per se, it is/will be another affiliated KMK Capital company. So, *Richmond Cottage* , *Bryn Mawr*what's next?

Nicole Denty

April 1 at 3:21pm

Please stop trying to demolish our historically significant properties! For a company with the finances to improve these properties it is shameful to be ripping these homes apart. I know the almighty dollar is the bottom line here, but please try to think beyond that. I know you can! Bryn Mawr should be fixed up. It is a beautiful, stately home and if it was fixed up people would be more than eager to buy it. Tearing out the fireplace mantels and ripping this home apart is not the answer!

1 Like 1 Comment Like · Comment · Share

Chronological

Liz Kyte likes this.

Comments

Paul Fowler Nicole, I'm sorry you are misinformed. Bryn Mawr is not a Wrightland project.



154 New Cove Rd (Bryn Mawr)
Maria Lear to: citycouncil@stjohns.ca

2016/04/08 01:51 PM

Good afternoon Mayor O'Keefe, Deputy Mayor Ellsworth & all Councillors,

I am writing you regarding the proposed demolition permit for 154 New Cove Road (*Bryn Mawr*)

The topic of heritage is a popular one with VOCCM reporting a couple of articles, namely "Young Professionals Leaving St. John's Over Haphazard Heritage Development" (April 5/16) & "St. John's Heritage Policy Backward Compared to Other Cities: Architect" (April 6/16) plus the planned NL Historic Trust rally. All the articles, comments & shares from social media serve to highlight the deep-rooted and passionate feelings the citizens of St. John's have about our shared built heritage & it can not be denied.

The situation with *Bryn Mawr* is the latest example of how our built heritage is being destroyed in the pursuit of new expansion & development. It is happening in many municipalities throughout our Province but here in the capital city of St. John's, the destruction of heritage seems to have reached a critical level.

I have had a keen interest in the heritage of St. John's for many years, in particular since I moved home in 2010. I have attended and participated in the municipal Heritage Forum in 2012 and I attended sessions, submitted comments & ideas for the Municipal Plan Review in 2014. Since 2012 I wrote many emails & correspondence to various Councilors regarding heritage-related issues & building-specific sites such as Richmond Cottage, Salvation Army buildings, 25 Winter Ave (*Quinnipiac*), Temperance Street as well as volunteered as a citizen representative for the Heritage Advisory Committee (HAC) in 2014 up to when it was recently dissolved. I have put significant time & effort into keeping current about what is happening in relation to heritage in our City so I feel quite justified in contacting you again today.

I am not going to regale you with the special & significant history of St. John's as you know it already.

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Maria Lear
St. John's



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Mark Critch to: rellsworth

2016/04/08 02:32 PM

History:

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Hope all is well,

Mark

Sent from my iPhone



Re: 154 New Cove Rd (Bryn Mawr)
Sheilagh O'Leary to: Maria Lear

2016/04/08 02:32 PM

And Sandy will be away but he can vote from Florida via phone.

Sent from my iPhone

On Apr 8, 2016, at 2:24 PM, Maria Lear [REDACTED] wrote:

Great news! Hope you four can get 2 more votes!
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-Maria

To: [REDACTED]
Date: Fri, 8 Apr 2016 14:11:31 -0230
From: SOLeary@stjohns.ca
Subject: Re: 154 New Cove Rd (Bryn Mawr)

Maria,
Thanks so much!!
I am putting forward a Notice of Motion forward this Monday, the 11th, to council to designate Bryn Mawr a St. John's heritage property and if council supports this vote on April 18th, the demo permit will be null and void.
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Vote on April 18th

Sheilagh O'Leary to: Elaine Henley, Sandy Hickman

2016/04/08 02:34 PM

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Bryn Mawr
Sandra Baird to: citycouncil

2016/04/08 02:43 PM

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Sent from my iPad



Fw: Vote on April 18th
Elaine Henley to: Sandy Hickman
Cc: Karen Chafe

2016/04/08 02:46 PM

Hi Sandy:

There is a telephone line in the chambers and you can call into the Council meeting of April 18.

Are you agreeable? Sheilagh indicated you wanted to attend remotely.

Thanks
Elaine

ELAINE A. HENLEY
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St. John's NL A1C 5M2
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Media Headlines - April 8, 2016

Kelly Maguire to: Council_group, Executives, Directors, Cindy McGrath, Ken O'Brien, Janet Adams, Strategy & Engagement

2016/04/08 02:59 PM



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TELEGRAM - Farmers' market to get new home in 2018

The City of St. John's said the proposed plan for the market to move to Freshwater Road – the former Metrobus location – is going ahead with construction set to being in 2017.

Along with years of fundraising by the St. John's Farmers' Market Co-operative, which will contribute \$100,000 to the project, funding is coming from the City of St. John's (\$2 million), the provincial Department of Business, Tourism, Culture and Rural Development (\$490,000), and the Atlantic Canada Opportunities Agency (almost \$1.17 million).

<http://www.thetelegram.com/News/Local/2016-04-08/article-4491594/Farmers%26rsquo%3B-market-to-get-new-home-in-2018/1>

VOCM - Businesses Pleased with Scaled Back 'Big Dig' Plan

Friday , April 8 2016 | 9:02:32 AM

The original Big Dig project proposed by St. John's City Council is being put under review and a new, less costly, faster project could be launched in its place. VOCM's David Maher explains. The new project being considered would see a kind of chemical lining applied to the existing infrastructure through a "trench-less" process.

<http://www.vocm.com/newsarticle.asp?mn=2&id=61758&latest=1>

VOCM - No Happy Ending for Preschool Next to Massage Parlour

Friday , April 8 2016 | 9:02:22 AM

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<http://www.vocm.com/newsarticle.asp?mn=2&id=61759&latest=1>

VOCM - Farmers' Market to Receive Near \$4-Million for Permanent Space

Friday , April 8 2016 | 1:02:32 PM

The St. John's Farmers' Market is set to receive close to \$4-million towards a new permanent space and community centre in the old Metrobus building on Freshwater Road. VOCM's Andrew Hawthorn reports.

The market will move from its rented 2,000 square foot space at the lions club to 14,000 square feet, with additional space for a community kitchen, movie nights, and other community based activities.

<http://www.vocm.com/newsarticle.asp?mn=2&id=61776&latest=1>

CBC - St. John's Farmers' Market wins funding for permanent home at old bus depot

It's official: the St. John's Farmers' Market will have a new home in the former Metrobus depot on Freshwater Road, with several levels of government teaming up to help bring the plan to fruition.

The City of St. John's showed off the plan for its \$2 million investment Friday morning at a news conference that also involved federal and provincial spending commitments.

<http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/newfoundland-labrador/stjohns-farmers-market-new-home-1.3526622>

TELEGRAM- City looks at trenchless technology for Water Street project

The City of St. John's says it is considering using trenchless technology when replacing aging infrastructure on Water Street.

In a news release sent Thursday afternoon, Coun. Danny Breen said city staff have been looking into how to replace water and sewer lines between Waldegrave Street and Job's Cove with the least disruption.

"Trenchless technology may be a way to do that. It has only been used occasionally in Newfoundland, but is quite common in other jurisdictions," Breen said. "Based on our initial review, it does appear that this may be a good option for Water Street, but more exploration is required."

In order to explore the feasibility of using trenchless technology in this job, the city will clean the existing combined sewer this spring, video it to determine suitability for lining and confirm the capacity of the existing water main.

The city will also organize information sessions and distribute communications materials to the downtown community in the near future.

Following the feasibility exercises, staff will recommend whether or not council should pursue this option. If it's viable, the city said it will proceed as planned in 2017 using the trenchless technology.

Coun. Dave Lane said downtown representatives have been asking the city to look at other options for some time.

"Although this option would still require some excavation around manholes, hydrants and connections, the amount of disruption would be minimized and the impact on downtown businesses would be greatly reduced," said Lane.

The news release notes that plans to refresh Water Street above ground would need to be considered outside the scope of the project should trenchless technology be used.

TELEGRAM - Man witnesses driver kill ducks with car

BY JOSH PENNELL

It was a gross juxtaposition between one man stopping by a park on a chilly spring evening for no other reason than to enjoy the life that could be found in it and having that experience interrupted by someone who seemingly places no value on life at all.

Greg Noel was getting out of his car at Bowring Park about 5 p.m. Wednesday evening. He was reaching back into his car to get his camera.

"I heard the rev of the engine," he says.

“I saw the streak of the car blow past me and ducks going in every direction.”

Noel walked around his car and saw four ducks lying on the asphalt.

“At that point they were still alive twitching and trying to struggle.” They died within minutes. Noel had parked down near the duck pond in the lower parking lot off Waterford Bridge Road that’s underneath the Columbus Drive overpass. It’s a small parking lot where the ducks often gather as people get out of their cars with food for them. Wednesday evening Noel says there were several hundred ducks there. There was one other young man there who saw it happen, as well. Unfortunately neither got a view of the licence plate number or of the driver. The other witness says the car was a bluish or greenish Chevy Aveo. The car was closest to the pond and so had to drive right through the whole flock and right through the entire parking lot to exit. The first thing Noel did was call the city.

“Their workers showed up really quickly. I was impressed with how fast the workers showed up. In less than 10 minutes they had it cleaned up.”

Noel says there’s no doubt in his mind that the act was intentional.

“There was no honk of the horn or attempt to drive slow,” he says.

“The only way you’re speeding through that lot is if you’re doing it on purpose.”

The police have been notified about the incident.

CBC East Coast Morning Show - Fri, April 08, 2016

PROTEST IN FRONT OF HERITAGE HOME: The City of St. John's will be taking flack today from some protesters who say its heritage regulations need to be toughened up. The rally is scheduled for 4:30 pm in front of the old Baird residence on Portugal Cove Road. It is the latest heritage home threatened with demolition. ["Melanie Del Rizzo", Former member of Heritage Committee]

CBC 7am News - Fri, April 08, 2016

ST. JOHN'S MAY USE TRENCHLESS REMEDIATION FOR DOWNTOWN WORK: City Hall is rethinking how it plans to dig up Water Street to replace ageing water and sewer infrastructure. ["Danny Breen", St. John's City Councillor]

TRENCHLESS PROCESS MAY WORK FOR DOWNTOWN WATER & SEWER DIG: The City of St. John's is reviewing its plan to dig up Water Street to replace ageing infrastructure. ["Danny Breen", St. John's City Councillor]

CBC 9am News - Fri, April 08, 2016

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VOCM Morning News - Fri, April 08, 2016

CITY EXPLORING ALTERNATE PROCESS FOR WATER STREET DIG: The Chair of the Canadian Federation of Independent Business is commending St. John's City Council for their work on the Water Street dig. ["Vaughn Hammond", Chair of the Canadian Federation of

Independent Business - Clip from Nightline]

SHOP SAYS STIGMA WAS BEHIND PRE-SCHOOL CLOSURE: A spokesperson for the Safe Harbour Outreach Project, a group that works with sex workers in the capital city region says stigma was behind the closure of a pre-school located next to an erotic massage parlour in the city's East End. ["Laura Winters", Safe Harbour Outreach Project - Clip from Open Line]

CBC 12 Noon News - Fri, April 08, 2016

PUBLIC PROTEST TO SAVE HISTORIC PROPERTY: A St. John's Lawyer is hoping a public protest will hope save a historic St. John's home; a demolition permit has been requested by Baird Cottage. ["Melanie Del Rizzo", Organizer of demonstration]

VOCM 1pm News - Fri, April 08, 2016

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VOCM NL Today - Fri, April 08, 2016

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VOCM Open Line - Fri, April 08, 2016

DOWNTOWN INFRASTRUCTURE UPGRADES & BUSINESS CONCERNS: St. John's City Councillor "Dave Lane" shares some updates on the plan for the water & sewer upgrades in downtown St. John's. They are looking to scale back the project with the trenchless process instead of the big dig which was originally planned, which means some of the perks which could have come with the original plan will have to be put aside. Paddy says there is room for direction from business which the City has been very slow to take advantage of. Mr. Lane agrees that the business community should be a very close partner with the City. Paddy says as long as we keep focusing time on Council in-fighting and driving the bus over fellow Councillors and other nonsense, the less time is focused on the work they should be doing for the city. Mr. Lane says we need to keep the discussion going to help revive downtown St. John's.

Media Headlines - April 7, 2016

CBC - City of St. John's reviewing Water Street 'big dig' plans

The city of St. John's is reviewing its plan to dig up Water Street to replace aging infrastructure. This spring it will explore a cheaper, less-invasive way to replace century-old water and sewer pipes from Waldegrave Street to Job's Cove, said public works committee chair Coun. Danny Breen on Thursday.

"One of the things that we are looking at now is that it may be possible to do this with through a trenchless remediation," he said.

<http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/newfoundland-labrador/big-dig-stjohns-1.3525535>

CBC - Downtown St. John's in turmoil, confidence waning, says business owner

A longtime business operator in downtown St. John's says the city's historic core is in turmoil and confidence has plummeted in recent years.

Craig Flynn's dire assessment coincides with news this week that two major employers are making plans to leave the downtown.

He blames poor planning by the City of St. John's and fears about how a massive infrastructure upgrade will affect businesses for the overall sense of unease.

A economic slump after years of unprecedented growth, and an increased tax burden, are not helping, he added.

<http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/newfoundland-labrador/downtown-confidence-waning-1.3524653>

CBC 12 Noon News - Thu, April 07, 2016

DISHEARTENING TO SEE DIRECTION DOWNTOWN IS TAKING: A business owner says it's disheartening to see the direction downtown St. John's is headed; "Craig Flynn" operates the Yellow Belly Brewery and O'Reilly's Pub and says when Suncor and the school board move out of the area hundreds of potential customers will be going with them.

NTV Mid-Day News - Thu, April 07, 2016

UPDATE ON BAIRD COTTAGE: The owners of Baird Cottage, a heritage home on New Cove Road in St. John's have applied to the city to demolish the home.

VOCM Back Talk - Thu, April 07, 2016

LOSS OF POTENTIAL CUSTOMERS WHEN SUNCOR & SCHOOL BOARD MOVE: A business owner says it is disheartening to see the direction downtown St. John's is headed. ["Craig Flynn", Yellow Belly Brewery/O'Reilly's Pub]

VOCM Evening News - Thu, April 07, 2016

CITY MAY SCALE BACK BIG DIG: The Water Street Big Dig may not be as big as originally planned. ["Dave Lane", St. John's City Councillor]

CBC Here & Now - Thu, April 07, 2016

MESSAGE PARLOUR BLAMED FOR PRE-SCHOOL CLOSURE: They are shut down. A pre-school in the East End of St. John's is closed right in the middle of the year, and the owner blames the business next door. ["Keith Newhook", Parent]

TRENCHLESS TECHNOLOGY MAY BE USED FOR DOWNTOWN ST. JOHN'S WATER & SEWER LINE REPLACEMENT: Today, the City of St. John's announced it is exploring a new and less intrusive option for replacing water and sewer lines on Water Street. ["Danny Breen", St. John's Public Works]

IS DOWNTOWN ST. JOHN'S IN STATE OF CRISIS?: Recently, we have heard a lot about the

rising cost of doing business downtown, coupled with announcements about large tenants moving out. ["Charlie Oliver", CEO of Martek; "George Murray", Jumping Bean Marketer; "Danny Breen", St. John's City Councillor]

OPTIMISM FOR THE FUTURE OF DOWNTOWN ST. JOHN'S: Is the death knell tolling for downtown St. John's? ["Gaylynne Lambert", Downtown St. John's]

CITY OF ST. JOHN'S WILL REVIEW NEED FOR ZONING PROVISIONS FOR ADULT SERVICES: The business known as Relaxation Spa is operating legally with an appropriate permit, even though it is known as an erotic massage parlour. ["Laura Winters", Co-Ordinator of the Safe Harbour Outreach Project]

NTV Evening Newshour - Thu, April 07, 2016

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<http://ntv.ca/adult-massage-parlour-blamed-for-closure-of-neighbouring-preschool/>

VOCM Night Line - Thu, April 07, 2016

POSSIBLE CHANGES TO THE BIG DIG: "Dave Lane", St. John's City Councillor first comments on an article on a blog about what residents of St. John's think of their council and the results weren't very good. He is calling to talk about the big dig on Water Street. He comments that the council has been looking at the big picture and lately they have sat down with the business and property owners to find out how they could do this but they wanted them not to discourage people from coming downtown. So now they have looked at lining the pipes but they are just exploring the option right now and by the end of the summer they will know if this is really viable. He comments on the ways the City can help business owners develop and thrive in St. John's.

BIG DIG: "Gaylynne Lambert" of Downtown St. John's is calling to talk about the big dig. She says there have been a lot of sleepless nights over this but it is a good thing that the City is investigating this other option and they seem to have a high level of confidence this will work. She comments they couldn't have gotten better news today because this could make a big difference.

NEWS TODAY FROM THE CITY: "Vaughn Hammond" of the Federation of Independent Business is calling to the news today from the City. He says it is welcome and shows they are taking the downtown area seriously plus they see the implications of what the big dig would involve. He hopes there will be as least amount of disruption as possible.

PLANS FOR TOMORROW: Jonathan comments tomorrow he is going to City Hall because there is an announcement happening and then he is heading to the College of the North Atlantic to judge the culinary skills competition.



Re: 154 New Cove Rd (Bryn Mawr)
Art Puddister to: Maria Lear

2016/04/08 03:25 PM

Thank you for your e mail,
Art Puddister

Sent from my iPad

On Apr 8, 2016, at 1:51 PM, Maria Lear <[REDACTED]> wrote:

Good afternoon Mayor O'Keefe, Deputy Mayor Ellsworth & all Councillors,
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The topic of heritage is a popular one with VOCM reporting a couple of articles, namely "Young Professionals Leaving St. John's Over Haphazard Heritage Development" (April 5/16) & "St. John's Heritage Policy Backward Compared to Other Cities: Architect" (April 6/16) plus the planned NL Historic Trust rally. All the articles, comments & shares from social media serve to highlight the deep-rooted and passionate feelings the citizens of St. John's have about our shared built heritage & it can not be denied.

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I have had a keen interest in the heritage of St. John's for many years, in particular since I moved home in 2010. I have attended and participated in the municipal Heritage Forum in 2012 and I attended sessions, submitted comments & ideas for the Municipal Plan Review in 2014. Since 2012 I wrote many emails & correspondence to various Councilors regarding heritage-related issues & building-specific sites such as Richmond Cottage, Salvation Army buildings, 25 Winter Ave (*Quinnipiac*), Temperance Street as well as volunteered as a citizen representative for the Heritage Advisory Committee (HAC) in 2014 up to when it was recently dissolved. I have put significant time & effort into keeping current about what is happening in relation to heritage in our City so I feel quite justified in contacting you again today.

I am not going to regale you with the special & significant history of St. John's as you know it already.

-You *know* we have some of the oldest standing structures in the country.

-You *know* that our built heritage is connected to significant people, places and historic events.

-You *know* that we have some outstanding examples of architectural styles, construction methods and building materials that are of historic value.

-You *know* that the above mentioned points are used in countless marketing materials, tourism adverts and contributes to the significant revenue streams that come into our City every year.

-You *know* that our built heritage is limited

-You *know* that our built heritage is a non-renewable resource
-You *know* that with every building that is demolished, another piece of our history is taken away

The current trend of continuing to build new residential and commercial developments where these historic structures still stand must stop. It simply cannot be allowed to continue & it is frustrating as to why you allow it to progress. Is the landmass of Newfoundland & Labrador so small that we must bulldoze standing heritage to construct new developments? Are we not overbuilt already with existing housing subdivisions, un-sold homes, un-sold condos & half-finished residential and commercial developments? Why do we need more? The current economic realities in our Province may very well see residents moving away and we're certainly being more mindful with our money. Added to that, we're having fewer children & the population demographic is pointing towards more older people than large families. Who will live in these new houses?

Examples of recent residential constructions that didn't turn out as approved would be the un-finished condo sites of Mirador, Marconi and MIX (although I understand MIX is to be apartments & I look forward to seeing the end result), Temperance Street condos (recently in the news again) & subdivision saga of McLea Park (aka *Richmond Cottage*) which also has its own lengthy development history that continues. Are we going to see *Bryn Mawr* historic building demolished only to have another chopped to pieces, un-finished cul-de-sac building site? Given the current real estate situation in St. John's & given the economic forecast for both the City and Province, in your honest opinion, do you truly believe that a new development is needed on the site of 154 New Cove Road? I ask about need, not about want.

I have read in the media that several Councillors, namely Galgay, Hickman, Lane & O'Leary will be voting against this demolition permit. I ask that the remaining 7 voters choose to vote against as well. However, I will take any 2 of the 7 remaining. Who will it be? Who will stand up & fight for the heritage of our city...."The City of Legends?"

Thank you & I look forward to receiving your responses.

Best regards,
Maria Lear
St. John's



Save it

David M Crosbie to: Dennis O'keefe, Jonathan Galgay, Art Puddister, Ron Ellsworth, Sheilagh O'Leary, Sandy Hickman, Dan Breen, Wally Collins,

2016/04/08 03:57 PM

History: This message has been replied to.

Councillors

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The Murray Premises is just one example. Offices, banks, restaurants, bakeries and retail stores operate in restored and preserved buildings and former homes.

Please take all necessary steps to ensure Bryn Mawr is not lost.

David Crosbie

154 New Cove Road

Jason Sinyard to: Council_group, Kevin Breen

2016/04/08 04:06 PM

History: This message has been replied to.

Good afternoon,

I understand that some of you may have received calls that the windows have been papered over and interior demolition has begun. This has been investigated. The windows have been papered over by the owner to dissuade gawkers and better secure the site. As of this afternoon there has been no demolition.

Regards

Jason

Jason Sinyard, P.Eng., MBA
Deputy City Manager
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Re: Save it
Sheilagh O'Leary to: David M Crosbie

2016/04/08 04:07 PM

David,
I will emphatically support Bryn Mawr's St. John's City heritage designation and oppose its demolition.
Thank you for your email.

Cheers
Sheilagh
Ward 4 Councillor
Sent from my iPhone

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Re: Vote on April 18th
Sandy Hickman to: Elaine Henley
Cc: Karen Chafe

2016/04/08 04:15 PM

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From: Sheilagh O'Leary/CSJ
To: Elaine Henley/CSJ@csj, Sandy Hickman/CSJ@csj
Date: 2016/04/08 02:34 PM
Subject: Vote on April 18th

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Motion Bryn Mawr

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2016/04/08 04:15 PM

Cc: Ken O'Brien CSJ Mgr Planning HAC, Karen Chafe CSJ CityHall,
Peter Jackson Architect HAC , Dave Lane CSJ At-Large , Lydia
Lewycky Mgr Atlantic Planner/Arch HAC, Garnet Kindervater CHBA

Hi all,

See by the Council meeting agenda for Monday that Councillor O'Leary is making a motion to have *Bryn Mawr* a municipal heritage structure.

Need 6 votes to pass it for majority.

-Maria



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Art Puddister

Sent from my iPad

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Thanks,

Maria

To: [m\[REDACTED\]](#)
Date: Fri, 8 Apr 2016 15:25:30 -0230
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History:

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Hello Sheilagh O'Leary,

I have spoken with the Director, Heritage Programs and Operations at the Ontario Heritage Trust on behalf of policy & procedure regarding both Richmond Cottage and Bryn Mawr. I believe this is worth more than I can incorporate into an email and am suggesting, at least, a phone call with Arthur MacDonald on the matter so that any possible future correspondence is circulated internally to all council members from a city employee.

Attached is the By-Law for 18 Topsail Road (2 Shaw Street) as passed by council on June 09, 2003. There may have been an amendment to this By-Law when the property changed ownership. If so, any amendment to the By-Law requires public disclosure as it is part of a public process and any member of the public can appeal that amendment. The By-Law and/or any amendment carries forward with the title deed ensuring that all parties are informed of the status of heritage designation.

As well, the current memorandum of understanding may be something to look into further as a MOU is not legally binding and has limited enforceability. Thus, I have included the Ontario Heritage Act for reference; specifically, a section on Offences & Restoration Cost which is legal binding and holds all parties accountable by policy and during the process until a final decision. There is a way forward. In the meantime, *every* municipal council can always decline a permit for demolition and I look forward to further discussion with you on this regard.

Much appreciation for your time and consideration,
Katherine Deborah Hann

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attgra9d.pdf Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. O.18.pdf



Ontario Heritage Act Offences and Restoration Costs.pdf



Save this house! Bryn Mawr and St. John's Heritage structures

Susan Walling to: dokeefe, rellsworth, dbreen, btalley, wcollins,
thann, apuddister

2016/04/08 07:04 PM

History:

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I am writing to plea that council members vote to make Bryn Mawr a municipal heritage structure in St. John's, and to save the house from demolition!

Newfoundland is steeped in history but lacking in heritage footprint - Fire and developers have already made their marks on historical buildings in this town, the latter letting them rot or bulldozing them to the ground. Surely council has foresight to see the bigger picture, and the intelligence to know that there are ways to build for the future by embracing, NOT destroying, the past.

The oldest city in North America and this is how we treat our heritage! Please don't let this happen.

Sincerely,

Susan G Walling, PhD



Re: Save it
Ron Ellsworth to: David M Crosbie

2016/04/08 07:26 PM

Thanks for your email and sharing your concerns . All information will be considered if and when a application comes to council

Thank you

Sent from my iPhone

> On Apr 8, 2016, at 3:57 PM, David M Crosbie <[REDACTED]> wrote:

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> Councillors

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> I believe it is vital that the city take steps to protect and save important pieces of our built heritage, such as Bryn Mawr. We have destroyed too much of what makes the city unique.

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> Despite what we have already lost, there are many, many fine examples of heritage properties that have been retasked and refit to meet the needs and standards of today.

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> The Murray Premises is just one example. Offices, banks, restaurants, bakeries and retail stores operate in restored and preserved buildings and former homes.

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> Please take all necessary steps to ensure Bryn Mawr is not lost.

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> David Crosbie

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Baird Cottage
Linda Cullum to: rellsworth

2016/04/08 08:35 PM

Mr. Ellsworth

Dear Mayor O'Keefe

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St. John's



Save Bryn Mawr
Brooke B to: citycouncil

2016/04/08 11:20 PM

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Mawr Baird and Richmond Hill
Ingrid Fraser to: citycouncil

2016/04/09 08:48 AM

To: St. John's City Council
April 4, 2016

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Ingrid Fraser

[REDACTED]

St. John's

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Sent from my iPad



Re: By-Law No. 1461
Sheilagh O'Leary to: Katherine Deborah Hann
Cc: Arthur MacDonald

2016/04/09 09:31 AM

Thank you Katherine.
I am c'ing Arthur in this email and look forward to discussing.
Regards,
Sheilagh
[REDACTED]

Sent from my iPhone

> On Apr 8, 2016, at 7:03 PM, Katherine Deborah Hann <[REDACTED]>:
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> Hello Sheilagh O'Leary,
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> I have spoken with the Director, Heritage Programs and Operations at the Ontario Heritage Trust on behalf of policy & procedure regarding both Richmond Cottage and Bryn Mawr. I believe this is worth more than I can incorporate into an email and am suggesting, at least, a phone call with Arthur MacDonald on the matter so that any possible future correspondence is circulated internally to all council members from a city employee.
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> Attached is the By-Law for 18 Topsail Road (2 Shaw Street) as passed by council on June 09, 2003. There may have been an amendment to this By-Law when the property changed ownership. If so, any amendment to the By-Law requires pubic disclosure as it is part of a public process and any member of the public can appeal that amendment. The By-Law and/or any amendment carries forward with the title deed ensuring that all parities are informed of the status of heritage designation.
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> There is a way forward. In the meantime, every municipal council can always decline a permit for demolition and I look forward to further discussion with you on this regard.
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> Much appreciation for your time and consideration,
> Katherine Deborah Hann
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Re: Baird Cottage
Sheilagh O'Leary to: Linda Cullum

2016/04/09 09:32 AM

Linda,

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Thank you for your email.

Cheers

Sheilagh

Ward 4 Councillor

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Sheilagh O'Leary to: Brooke B

2016/04/09 09:33 AM

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Sheilagh O'Leary to: Jean O'Keefe

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- > Save Bryan Mawr. St. John's is touted as being the oldest city in North America let's keep our heritage properties.
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- > Sent from my iPad



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Sheilagh O'Leary to: Ingrid Fraser

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Re: Heritage
Sheilagh O'Leary to: Bruce Templeton

2016/04/09 03:07 PM

Bruce,

Thank you and lovely to hear from you. Of course you know I don't control what media writes. I am well aware of the owner of this particular home and agree that there needs to be a balance struck between private rights and public designation.

Having said that, I disagree with the ability of such a significant heritage structure being allowed to be demolished with no recourse.

This notice of motion proposes to designate Bryn Mawr as a St. John's heritage property, when the owners themselves already applied for heritage status from the province. Intent was there.

We are all tired of the piecemeal approach to heritage conservation.

Our new heritage officer working in tandem with the Built Heritage Panel have some recommendations and a renewed sense of interest in how to strike this balance.

There are many existing and financially successful cases across North America to create such an environment and I will advocate for such.

Hope you are well.

Kind regards,

Sheilagh

Sent from my iPhone

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Sent from my Bell Sony device over Canada's largest network.



Re:
Tom Hann to: Danny Breen

2016/04/09 04:12 PM

Don't think will call you tmrw re this

Sent from my iPhone

> On Apr 9, 2016, at 4:06 PM, Danny Breen <DBreen@stjohns.ca> wrote:

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> City of St. John's, NL

> Office (709) 576-2332

> Mobile (709) 725-9259



Re:
Tom Hann to: Danny Breen
Cc: Dennis O'Keefe

2016/04/09 04:48 PM

I don't think so but I understand there's a move afoot to bring a funding suggestion to finance we should talk about it for sure

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RE: Baird's Cottage - already being demolished from inside out

Keith Elms to: Ron Ellsworth

2016/04/09 06:29 PM

History:

This message has been replied to.

Councillor Ellsworth,

Thanks for taking the time to reply to my recent email below. I agree with your comment about the current disconnect between heritage designations by the city and the provincial body(s). This should not be the case and should certainly be addressed promptly.

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I hope that you and others will support 'stopping' the demolition of this great old home and the mature green space it sits on. Slow things down in situations like this one so that sober second thought can occur. You only get one chance to do the right thing on this issue.

I am a downtown resident and owner of a post-fire home (1893). I will be anxiously awaiting council's decision.

Thanks again for your time.

Regards,

Keith Elms

To: [REDACTED]

Date: Sun, 3 Apr 2016 19:21:56 -0230

From: rellsworth@stjohns.ca

Subject: Re: Baird's Cottage - already being demolished from inside out

Keith thanks for your email and sharing your concerns. I have no knowledge of any on-going work at this time.

The Richmond Cottage was not agreed to do full restoration. Please call me to discuss that issue. [REDACTED]

We will have a 90-day period hold on this application to give council time to consider Heritage

Status . We have a disconnect with the provincial designation. I think was the province designates ours should be automatic and that would avoid these issues .

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(Down town resident and owner of a home built in 1893.)

<http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/newfoundland-labrador/heritage-buildings-demolish-bryn-mawr-1.3516311>



RE: Baird's Cottage - already being demolished from inside out

Keith Elms to: Sheilagh O'Leary

2016/04/09 06:51 PM

History:

This message has been replied to.

Councillor O'Leary,

Thanks for your reply to my recent email and for all of your efforts to protect this and other heritage properties at risk.

I just sent the message below to all of the other councillors today. I did get a reply from Ron Ellsworth last week so I wrote him back individually with the same message. Interestingly, only you and Mr. Ellsworth took the time to actually respond. A couple of others simply replied with 'Thanks you for your email'. Most did not reply at all, including the Mayor.

I wrote all of the MHA's for the greater St. John's area and the Premier on this a week ago and have yet to get any sort of reply from either of them. This is not just a city issue, it is the province's built heritage. The province and the city need to be on the same page and working together on these matters.

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Here is what I sent the others:

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Date: Fri, 1 Apr 2016 18:02:57 -0230
From: SOLeary@stjohns.ca
Subject: Re: Baird's Cottage - already being demolished from inside out

Keith,
I requested an inspection earlier this afternoon and it was reported that the property is secure at present.

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Re: Bryn Mawyr
Sheilagh O'Leary to: Lynn Green

2016/04/09 07:41 PM

Lynn,

I will emphatically support Bryn Mawr's St. John's City heritage designation and oppose its demolition. If Council supports my upcoming motion, then we have time to negotiate potential opportunities for the private owner who wishes to sell.

Your assistance would be greatly appreciated and I encourage you to speak with Historic Trust and Destination St. John's as well as all of Council.

At present, Councillor's Hickman, Lane, Galgay and myself have thrown support behind this designation.

Thank you for your email.

Cheers

Sheilagh

Ward 4 Councillor

Cell (709)725-5068

Sent from my iPhone

> On Apr 9, 2016, at 5:52 PM, Lynn Green [REDACTED] wrote:

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> Dear Councillor O'Leary,

>>>> I am writing to encourage you to not give permission for this beautiful house on Portugal Cove Rd. to be torn down.

>>>> My great grandfather James Baird built the house in 1907 and my mother Maureen O'Reilly (married Henry Collingwood) was born there. It is not only a city landmark but it is also one of great sentimental value to me, my children and grandchildren.

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>>>> Since I discovered all this was happening two weeks ago I have become quite active. I have emailed all the councillors and tried to call a few, written Minister Mitchemore, spoken with his assistant and worked with some of the heritage groups. I have also spoken with the media.

>>>> I realize not every old property can be saved but this one is of such significant architectural importance and its setting is important as well.

>>>> As the tourism industry will become more important to this city and our province there has never been a more critical time to try and preserve some of our heritage so there will continue to be historic attractions for the tourists to see.

>>>> I am a strong component of social enterprise and believe this may be an opportunity to have several non profit organizations probably occupy this heritage home. I am present chair of the Learning Disability Association and knowing how difficult it can be to rent office space, the efficiencies that could be attained by several organizations working together in one building could eventually be realized. What a setting for young children for after school tutoring which is just one of the programs we offer! This is only one way in which we may be able to use it but I am all about trying to find a solution to the situation we find ourselves in.

>>>> I am more than willing to work with council and other agencies so we can come up with an immediate solution to save Bryn Mawyr. I also would like to see some ways we can work together to effect more long term change so that these "crisis" situations of trying to save heritage properties does not arise again.

>>>> I look forward to hearing from you at your earliest convenience and implore with you to save this home for future generations to treasure.

>>>> Many thanks

>>>> Lynn Green

>>>>



Re: Baird's Cottage - already being demolished from inside out
Sheilagh O'Leary to: Keith Elms

2016/04/09 07:47 PM

If the property is designated, the demo permit cannot be granted so I am putting forward a Notice of Motion Monday to designate it a St. John's historic property.
The vote will be April 18th. Councillors Hickman, Lane, Galgay and myself are supporting.
Puddister and Breen are leaning towards it and the rest are unknown.
These are the ones that need to be addressed.
Encourage all you know to write Council.
Thank you.
Sheilagh

Sent from my iPhone

On Apr 9, 2016, at 7:43 PM, Sheilagh O'Leary <SOLEary@stjohns.ca> wrote:

Keith,

Thank you.

The immediate action is to ensure its designation as a St. John's Historic property. The demolition order submitted by the owner was filed March 28th and we have 90 days from that date in order to respond.

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Sent from my iPhone

On Apr 9, 2016, at 6:51 PM, Keith Elms [REDACTED] wrote:

Councillor O'Leary,

Thanks for your reply to my recent email and for all of your efforts to protect this and other heritage properties at risk.

I just sent the message below to all of the other councillors today. I did get a reply from Ron Ellsworth last week so I wrote him back individually with the same message. Interestingly, only you and Mr. Ellsworth took the time to actually respond. A couple of others simply replied with 'Thanks you for your email'. Most did not reply at all, including the Mayor.

I wrote all of the MHA's for the greater St. John's area and the Premier on this a week ago and have yet to get any sort of reply from either of them. This is not just a city issue, it is the province's built heritage. The province and the city need to be on the same page and working together on these matters.

I hope making my voice heard helps the cause.

Regards,

Keith Elms



Bryn Mawr

Stephanie Bowring

to: Bruce Tilley, apuddister@stjohns.ca,
thann@stjohns.ca

2016/04/10 12:30 AM

History:

This message has been replied to.

Dear Councilor,

I am writing you today regarding the beautiful house of Bryn Mawr which city Council must include in the municipal heritage list. I was part of the hundred plus people who joined the rally last Friday. Most drivers passing by were honking in support.

After the outrageous way in which Winter Avenue was demolished in a blink of an eye without saving any of the beautiful elements in it, I feel it's truly important to stop the carnage.

As it happens, this house was built by one of my ancestors. But that's not why I want to defend. It is one of the few architecturally interesting houses of St. John's. And part of its appeal is its unique position on the land.

I am aware of the temptation for city Council to approve, more or less directly, the construction of new developments. Indeed, in today's age of poor budget, one can easily fall for the appeal of immediate gain.

But City Council must never forget that money is only a means to an end, not an end in itself. For what is the point of healthy finances if it's at the service of a city that has lost its heart and soul.

And as a friend recently pointed out "it's not as if many tourists will be having their photo taken in front of the Convention centre or around Kelsey or Stavanger Drive"...!

There's not much point spending money in beautiful ads to attract tourists if the end up only having downtown worth visiting.

And as a talented architect friend of mine stated "these interesting buildings serve as witnesses of the beautiful things that can be done". We need these heritage houses to inspire future builders, whether they be individuals or developers.

Thank you for defending our heritage.

Stephanie Bowring



Re: Mawr Baird and Richmond Hill
Ingrid Fraser to: Sheilagh O'Leary

2016/04/10 04:29 AM

I know you will Sheilagh. Thanks for reentering municipal politics.

Ingrid

Sent from my iPad

> On Apr 9, 2016, at 2:04 PM, Sheilagh O'Leary <SOLeary@stjohns.ca> wrote:

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> Ingrid,

> I will emphatically support Bryn Mawr's St. John's City heritage

> designation and oppose its demolition.

> Thank you for your email.

> Cheers

> Sheilagh

> Ward 4 Councillor

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> Sent from my iPhone

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>> On Apr 9, 2016, at 8:48 AM, Ingrid Fraser [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

>> To: St. John's City Council

>> April 4, 2016

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>> I am writing to express my concern and anger that Council is even being

> asked to consider the demolition of yet another heritage building in St.

> John's and for that matter, letting another crumble. Both Mawr Baird

> Cottage and Richmond Hill are exceptional examples of St. John's history

> and culture. That alone should save them from the wrecking ball. But it is

> obvious from past decisions that it is not.

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>> Council pays a great deal of lip service to the arts and culture of this

> city. But it is obviously only that, lip service. Gutting arts grants in

> the last budget, which were only restored after loud and large

> demonstrations on the steps of City Hall, and Council's record for giving

> in time and again to developers whose one goal is the dollar, has made that

> very clear.

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>> If Council can't see that the inherent beauty and historic value of these

> structures is enough to keep them, then think about their value to the

> tourist industry. How many shots of Atlantic Place or the Delta or the Keg

> on our harbour do you see in the award winning provincial tourism ads?

>>

>> I've spoken with many visitors to this city. They love the look and the

> feel of historic St. John's, but every single one of them has asked me why

> buildings such as the ones I mentioned above are there. That's not what

> they came to see. And as St. John's begins to look just like any other

> Canadian city, they won't be coming back.

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>> I am in Granada, Spain and will be here for a month and just spent 2

> weeks in Porto, Portugal. These two cities have drawn millions of tourists

> over the years who have spent billions of dollars. And the single biggest

> draw is the stunning, historic built culture...the churches, libraries,



Re: Bryn Mawyr
Sheilagh O'Leary to: Lynn

2016/04/10 09:08 AM

6/11 will do it.
Sheilagh

Sent from my iPhone

> On Apr 9, 2016, at 11:49 PM, Lynn [REDACTED] wrote:

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> Thanks Sheilagh,
> I am assuming I need the support of three more councillors?
> Chat soon,
> Lynn

>
> Sent from my iPhone

>> On Apr 9, 2016, at 7:41 PM, Sheilagh O'Leary <SOLeary@stjohns.ca> wrote:
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>> Lynn,
>> I will emphatically support Bryn Mawr's St. John's City heritage
>> designation and oppose its demolition. If Council supports my upcoming
>> motion, then we have time to negotiate potential opportunities for the
>> private owner who wishes to sell.
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>> Your assistance would be greatly appreciated and I encourage you to speak
>> with Historic Trust and Destination St. John's as well as all of Council.

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>> At present, Councillor's Hickman, Lane, Galgay and myself have thrown
>> support behind this designation.

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>> Thank you for your email.
>> Cheers
>> Sheilagh

>> Ward 4 Councillor
>> Cell (709)725-5068

>>
>> Sent from my iPhone

>>> On Apr 9, 2016, at 5:52 PM, Lynn Green <[REDACTED]> wrote:
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>>> Dear Councillor O'Leary,
>>>>>> I am writing to encourage you to not give permission for this
>> beautiful house on Portugal Cove Rd. to be torn down.
>>>>>> My great grandfather James Baird built the house in 1907 and my
>> mother Maureen O'Reilly (married Henry Collingwood) was born there. It is
>> not only a city landmark but it is also one of great sentimental value to
>> me, my children and grandchildren.
>>>>>> I have never been involved in saving historic properties before and
>> like so many things until you are personally affected you don't realize how
>> important it is to save some of our heritage.
>>>>>> Since I discovered all this was happening two weeks ago I have become
>> quite active. I have emailed all the councillors and tried to call a few,
>> written Minister Mitchemore, spoken with his assistant and worked with some



Baird Cottage
Karen Bonia to: soleary@stjohns.ca

2016/04/10 11:24 AM

Hoping that Baird Cottage will be saved . Thanks for speaking up.It is a landmark and certainly a heritage property that needs to be kept...Karen

Sent from my iPad



Baird Cottage
Karen Bonia to: citycouncil@stjohns.ca

2016/04/10 11:59 AM

I am wondering why this beautiful heritage property is not being protected from demolition. Shame on those responsible. Please protect and save this landmark and do the right thing. St. John's is a beautiful city. It is my neighbourhood and I care. Get on board and fix this. Karen Bonia

Sent from my iPad



Re: Bryn Mawr
Dave Lane to: Caroline Baird

2016/04/10 12:31 PM

Hi Caroline,

Thanks a lot for getting in touch about this. I truly believe Council has an important role to play in preserving and promoting our built heritage, and I'm hopeful we'll make the right decision in this case.

I'm also pleased to let you know that we have been working internally to develop better policies to help us in this effort. These will be announced over the coming months, with a set of potential financial incentives being discussed in the very near term.

Please get in touch anytime,
Dave

--

Dave Lane
Councillor at Large, St. John's
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www.facebook.com/DaveLaneStJohns
www.twitter.com/DaveLaneTweets

On Apr 6, 2016, at 16:10, Caroline Baird <[REDACTED]> wrote:

I am writing to request city council deny the petition to demolish Bryn Mawr. Not only is the preservation of this home important to maintaining my family history but also to maintaining the history and uniqueness of St. John's. While I no longer reside in Newfoundland I visit often and am proud to point out to visiting friends and family the amazing historical homes in St. John's. One summer I worked for the department of tourism and it was clear, from the travel writers and other visiting guests that I hosted, that St. John's was and would be a travel destination because of its people and the uniqueness of our architecture and nature. That continues to be central in the province's and city's advertising so I believe it is critical that efforts are made to protect our history and uniqueness. I now live in the small city of Oakville, Ontario where heritage properties are strongly protected and I only can hope that St. John's takes a similar position.

I understand the desire for homeowners to recognize capital gains from the sale of their homes but it was clear when this home was purchased that it was an important landmark in St. John's. I'm not sure I am particularly qualified or well located to do much but I would be happy to participate in defining what options could be pursued to maintain this property.

I hope that City Council votes in opposition of this destruction.

Sincerely,
Caroline Baird



Re:
Dennis O'Keefe to: Danny Breen
Cc: Tom Hann

2016/04/10 05:06 PM

Danny

There has been talk of it from time to time but nothing has been brought forward!

Sent from my iPhone

> On Apr 9, 2016, at 4:06 PM, Danny Breen <DBreen@stjohns.ca> wrote:

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> Good job yesterday...it all went well.

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> Just looking at this Baird Cottage issue. Since either of you have been on Council has there ever been a plan brought to Council to preserve heritage properties? One that involves tax or financial incentives? I don't recall one.

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> Sent from my iPhone

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> Danny Breen

> Councillor, Ward 1

> City of St. John's, NL

> Office (709) 576-2332

> Mobile (709) 725-9259



Re:
Tom Hann to: Dennis O'Keefe
Cc: Danny Breen

2016/04/10 05:43 PM

As I noted it is my understanding there is a move being made to either provide funding or tax incentives to owners of heritage property. It's supposed to go to finance

Sent from my iPhone

> On Apr 10, 2016, at 5:06 PM, Dennis O'Keefe <DOKeefe@stjohns.ca> wrote:

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Fw: Bryn Mawr to be demolished ?

Burton, David [REDACTED]

2016/04/10 05:57 PM

To: citycouncil@stjohns.ca

History:

This message has been replied to.

Dear members of St John's city council,

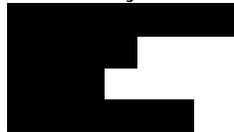
I am writing to you from England because I have heard the disturbing news that there is a proposal to demolish the historic Bryn Mawr house on New Cove Road.

Although I now live in England, I grew up in St John's (on Portugal Cove Road) in the 1970s and 1980s and remember this wonderful house with great affection. I'm really shocked that there are not legal protections in place to protect this beautiful and important building. I understand from other press reports that other historic buildings have been demolished in St John's in recent years and am astounded that this has been allowed to happen. I urge you to take the necessary steps to protect the remaining heritage of St John's before it is lost forever. Your historic buildings are priceless; once reckless destruction and development have taken place, there is no way of replacing what has been lost.

Your sincerely,

Dr David Burton

Canterbury Christ Church University





Re: Bryn Mawr to be demolished ?

Sheilagh O'Leary to: Burton, David
(david.burton@canterbury.ac.uk)

2016/04/10 06:04 PM

Dr. Burton,

I will emphatically support Bryn Mawr's St. John's City heritage designation and oppose its demolition.

Thank you for your email.

Cheers

Sheilagh

Ward 4 Councillor

Sent from my iPhone

On Apr 10, 2016, at 5:57 PM, Burton, David ([REDACTED]

[REDACTED] > wrote:

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Your sincerely,

Dr David Burton
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]



154 New Cove Road
Fred Steinhauer to: rellsworth

2016/04/10 09:19 PM

History: This message has been replied to and forwarded.

Deputy Mayor Ron Ellsworth,

Please see attached correspondence along with accompanying enclosures, which is submitted on behalf of my mother, Mildred Steinhauer, with respect to her property at 154 New Cove Road. The original will be delivered to you tomorrow morning.

Regards,

Fred Steinhauer



20160410 Letter to City Council.pdf



154 New Cove Road
Fred Steinhauer to: jgalgay

2016/04/10 09:29 PM

History: This message has been forwarded.

Councillor Jonathan Galgay,

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Regards,

Fred Steinhauer



20160410 Letter to City Council.pdf



154 New Cove Road
Fred Steinhauer to: soleary

2016/04/10 09:34 PM

History:

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Councillor Sheilagh O'Leary,

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Regards,

Fred Steinhauer



20160410 Letter to City Council.pdf



154 New Cove Road
Fred Steinhauer to: shickman

2016/04/10 09:39 PM

Councillor Sandy Hickman,

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Regards,

Fred Steinhauer



20160410 Letter to City Council.pdf



154 New Cove Road
Fred Steinhauer to: dlane

2016/04/10 09:41 PM

Councillor Dave Lane,

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Regards,

Fred Steinhauer



20160410 Letter to City Council.pdf



154 new Cove Road
Fred Steinhauer to: apuddister

2016/04/10 09:43 PM

History:

This message has been replied to.

Councillor Art Puddister,

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Regards,

Fred Steinhauer



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Re: Bryn Mawr to be demolished?

Dennis O'Keefe to: Burton, David

2016/04/10 10:01 PM

Cc: "citycouncil@stjohns.ca"

So David

Should the City designate such properties without or against the owners consent?

Should the City risk the liability of doing so?

Should taxpayers stand the cost of buying ,maintaining such properties?

Sent from my iPhone

On Apr 10, 2016, at 5:57 PM, Burton, David (

[k](#)> wrote:

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Demolition of Bryn Mawr
Lesley Bautista to: rellsworth

2016/04/10 10:09 PM

History:

This message has been replied to.

Dear Deputy Mayor Ellsworth,

I am emailing you to please consider voting against the the demolition of Bryn Mawr. This house is a beautiful heritage property that should be preserved and restored rather than demolished. This property and other heritage properties give our city character. There is no reason that a rich developer cannot incorporate and restore these historic properties rather than destroy them. I urge you to consider more money when voting regarding these properties.

Please look at examples of properties that have been restored very successfully such as Mallard Cottage and at other historic cities, such as Charleston, SC that have laws to protect their historic architecture. Once these properties are destroyed, we cannot re-build them. I urge you to stand up for the heritage of our beautiful city and look at the longterm effects of your decision on this matter. Apartment buildings, personal care homes, condos, and supermarkets can be found in any North American city.

Thank you for your time,

Lesley Bautista
Ward 4



Fwd: 154 New Cove Road
Sheilagh O'Leary to: Cheryl L Mullett

2016/04/10 10:12 PM

FYL...
Sheilagh

Sent from my iPad

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Fred Steinhauer" [REDACTED]
Date: April 10, 2016 at 9:34:21 PM NDT
To: soleary@stjohns.ca
Subject: 154 New Cove Road

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Regards,

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Bryn Mawr
Lesley Bautista to: apuddister

2016/04/10 10:19 PM

History:

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Thank you for your time,

Lesley Bautista
Ward 4



Re: Bryn Mawr
Dennis O'Keefe to: Lesley Bautista

2016/04/10 10:22 PM

Lesley

As a Historian by profession I like you value our history,culture and heritage. However, I have to ask you:

Should we designate such properties without or against the owners consent?

Should the City take on the liability of such action financially?

Should taxpayers money go toward the purchase and maintenance of such properties?

Dennis

Sent from my iPhone

> On Apr 10, 2016, at 10:15 PM, Lesley Bautista [REDACTED]:

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> Thank you for your time,

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> Lesley Bautista

> Ward 4



Re: Bryn Mawr to be demolished?

Dennis O'Keefe to: Burton, David

2016/04/10 10:24 PM

David

Thank you!

I assume you are a taxpayer and are willing to shoulder the responsibility?

Sent from my iPhone

On Apr 10, 2016, at 10:19 PM, Burton, David (

wrote:

Dear Mr O'Keefe,

Thank you for your message.

Yes, you should protect such properties whether or not the owners consent. Moreover, the owners should surely have a responsibility to preserve them. This seems rather obvious. They are an invaluable part of your culture and heritage. In England, we have much larger numbers of historic buildings and fortunately they are commonly afforded protection. There would in many cases be no question of demolishing them and any alterations have to be in keeping with the character of the property. I would suggest that you need to prioritise saving the relatively small number of historic properties that remain in St John's before it is too late.

Best wishes,

David Burton

From: Dennis O'Keefe <DOKeefe@stjohns.ca>

Sent: 11 April 2016 01:31

To: Burton, David

Cc: citycouncil@stjohns.ca

Subject: Re: Bryn Mawr to be demolished?

So David

Should the City designate such properties without or against the owners consent?



Re: 154 New Cove Road
Ron Ellsworth to: Fred Steinhauer

2016/04/11 07:40 AM

Thanks for your email and detailed information .

Sent from my iPhone

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<20160410 Letter to City Council.pdf>



Re: Bryn Mawr to be demolished ?

Burton, David [REDACTED]

2016/04/11 07:41 AM

To: Dennis O'Keefe
Cc: "citycouncil@stjohns.ca"

Dear Mr O'Keefe,

Thanks for your message.

I contacted you because I was notified about this very worrying situation by (tax paying!) residents of St John's. As I explained, I grew up there in the 1970s and 1980s. I have heard accounts of the recent destruction of the cultural heritage of the city and this appears to be another impending example.

Are you the mayor of St John's? I find your response to my concerns disappointing and troubling. You give the impression that you are thinking only about money. I hope that I am wrong because your city needs more broad-minded leadership. Perhaps I have misinterpreted your brief and informal emails and you are interested in people's views whether or not they are taxpayers? I would sincerely hope that you have a concern for the preservation of our cultural heritage in jurisdictions where you do not pay tax? I thought you would be particularly interested in how this situation appears from the perspective of someone who knows your community but does not live there anymore.

Best wishes,

David Burton

From: Dennis O'Keefe <DOKeefe@stjohns.ca>

Sent: 11 April 2016 01:54

To: Burton, David [REDACTED]

Subject: Re: Bryn Mawr to be demolished?

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Sent from my iPhone

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[REDACTED] wrote:

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Subject: Re: Bryn Mawr to be demolished?

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Should the City designate such properties without or against the owners consent?
Should the City risk the liability of doing so?
Should taxpayers stand the cost of buying ,maintaining such properties?

Sent from my iPhone

On Apr 10, 2016, at 5:57 PM, Burton, David [REDACTED] <
[REDACTED]> wrote:

Dear members of St John's city council,
I am writing to you from England because I have heard the disturbing news that there is a proposal to demolish the historic Bryn Mawr house on New Cove Road.

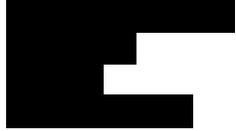
Although I now live in England, I grew up in St John's (on Portugal Cove Road) in the 1970s and 1980s and remember this wonderful house with great affection. I'm really shocked that there are not legal protections in place to protect this beautiful and important building. I understand from other press reports that other historic buildings have been demolished in St John's in recent years and am astounded that this has been allowed to happen. I urge you to take the necessary steps to protect the remaining heritage of St John's before it is lost forever. Your historic buildings are priceless; once reckless destruction and

development have taken place, there is no way of replacing what has been lost.

Your sincerely,

Dr David Burton

Canterbury Christ Church University





Bryn Mawr Demolition Permit

Liz Kyte to: dokeefe, rellsworth, dbreen, jgalgay, btiley, sheilagh o'leary, wcollins, thann, shickman, dlane, apuddister

2016/04/11 08:55 AM

History:

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Sheilagh O'Leary to: Danny Breen

2016/04/11 09:13 AM

Danny,

good morn

Never a peep at council? or at heritage committee? on this apparent lengthy process. Also, respectfully, the listing approx. 6 times of Ms. Steinhauers age has little relativity.

Look forward to chatting.

Sheilagh

Sent from my iPhone



Fw: By-Law No. 1461
Arthur MacDonald to: Ken O'Brien

2016/04/11 09:17 AM

Hi Ken,

Please review email below and my comments below and advise if I'm incorrect:

- 1) "so that any possible future correspondence is circulated internally to all council members from a city employee" - My understanding is that I should not be corresponding directly to council members but rather through the BHEP and P & D Committee.
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- 3) "The By-Law and/or any amendment carries forward with the title deed ensuring that all parties are informed of the status of heritage designation." - The By-law to designate a building as a Heritage Building is not filed at the Registry of Deeds therefore it does not follow the title of the property."
- 4) "every municipal council can always decline a permit for demolition and I look forward to further discussion with you on this regard." - I don't believe this is true - a municipality needs good reason to refuse a demolition permit and in NL I believe they are subject to an appeal process.

Please feel free to discuss with Sylvester at your discretion -

Regards,

Arthur MacDonald MCIP
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----- Forwarded by Arthur MacDonald/CSJ on 2016/04/11 09:02 AM -----

From: Sheilagh O'Leary/CSJ
To: "Katherine Deborah Hann" <[REDACTED]>
Cc: Arthur MacDonald/CSJ@csj
Date: 2016/04/09 09:31 AM
Subject: Re: By-Law No. 1461

Thank you Katherine.
I am c'ing Arthur in this email and look forward to discussing.



Re: Bryn Mawr Demolition Permit
Liz Kyte to: Sheilagh O'Leary

2016/04/11 09:18 AM

Thank you for your quick response. Best of luck in supporting Bryn Mawr and I hope my letter will be of some use to the discussion.

Elizabeth

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Re: couple of things
Jerry Dick to: Dave Lane

2016/04/11 09:43 AM

History: This message has been replied to.

Dave, I have a meeting at 3:00 pm but am available before that or on Thursday afternoon.

Jerry

On Apr 9, 2016, at 8:28 PM, Dave Lane <dlane@stjohns.ca> wrote:

Hi Jerry,

Sorry I didn't get back to you! Work has been pretty hairy lately. How does your Tuesday afternoon look, say 3/4pm?

Dave

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Dave Lane

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On Apr 6, 2016, at 09:25, Jerry Dick [REDACTED] > wrote:

Hi Dave:

I could meet first thing on Thursday morning if you were available. How about 8:30 at Starbucks 351 Water? I can fill you in on some broader discussions we are having with the Trust and the city on longer term strategies to encourage the adaptive reuse of heritage buildings.

Jerry

On Apr 3, 2016, at 9:38 AM, Dave Lane <dlane@stjohns.ca> wrote:

Hey Jerry!

Great to hear from you, and congratulations on the new role! I was speaking with George on Thursday and he informed me. You're perfectly suited for it, and I'm happy to see you there :)

Tomorrow at 3pm is the same time as Council's weekly special meeting unfortunately, though I'd like to be there. Can we try for Tuesday at 3pm downtown? Otherwise we could try Thursday morning?

Dave

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On Apr 1, 2016, at 16:31, Jerry Dick [REDACTED]
wrote:

Hi Dave:

I'm not sure if you have heard but this week I took over from George Chalker as ED at the Heritage Foundation NL. I am quite pumped about the opportunity. I'd like to sit own over coffee sometime and discuss how the Foundation and the City can work together more to protect and promote heritage. Please let me know of a convenient time.

In the meantime, Bryn Mawr has emerged as an issue as you know. On Monday at 3:00 I am hoping to meet with the NHT and the city's new heritage planner, Arthur here at the Foundation. Feel free to join us if you like. I want to try to find some constructive avenues that will allow us, ideally, to move from a reactionary to a pro-active position with respect to saving and adaptively reusing significant heritage structures.

I look forward to connecting again.

Cheers,

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Bryn Mawr
Alex Bill to: soleary
Please respond to Alex Bill

2016/04/11 10:07 AM

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Are you free to have a quick phone chat today? I'd just like to talk about the proposal for today's council meeting, so that I can have as much as possible prepared beforehand.

Thanks,

Alex Bill
Business Reporter





Re: Save this house! Bryn Mawr and St. John's Heritage structures

Art Puddister to: Susan Walling

2016/04/11 10:08 AM

Thank you for your e mail,

Art Puddister

Sent from my iPad

> On Apr 8, 2016, at 7:04 PM, Susan Walling [REDACTED]:

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> I am writing to plea that council members vote to make Bryn Mawr a municipal heritage structure in St. John's, and to save the house from demolition!

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> Newfoundland is steeped in history but lacking in heritage footprint - Fire and developers have already made their marks on historical buildings in this town, the latter letting them rot or bulldozing them to the ground. Surely council has foresight to see the bigger picture, and the intelligence to know that there are ways to build for the future by embracing, NOT destroying, the past.

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> The oldest city in North America and this is how we treat our heritage! Please don't let this happen.

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> Sincerely,

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> Susan G Walling, PhD



Re: Bryn Mawr
Art Puddister to: Stephanie Bowring

2016/04/11 10:12 AM

Thank you for your e mail,

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Sent from my iPad

> On Apr 10, 2016, at 12:30 AM, Stephanie Bowring [REDACTED] > wrote:

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> Dear Councilor,

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> I am writing you today regarding the beautiful house of Bryn Mawr which city Council must include in the municipal heritage list. I was part of the hundred plus people who joined the rally last Friday. Most drivers passing by were honking in support.

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> After the outrageous way in which Winter Avenue was demolished in a blink of an eye without saving any of the beautiful elements in it, I feel it's truly important to stop the carnage.

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> As it happens, this house was built by one of my ancestors. But that's not why I want to defend. It is one of the few architecturally interesting houses of St. John's. And part of its appeal is its unique position on the land.

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> I am aware of the temptation for city Council to approve, more or less directly, the construction of new developments. Indeed, in today's age of poor budget, one can easily fall for the appeal of immediate gain.

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> But City Council must never forget that money is only a means to an end, not an end in itself. For what is the point of healthy finances if it's at the service of a city that has lost its heart and soul.

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> And as a friend recently pointed out "it's not as if many tourists will be having their photo taken in front of the Convention centre or around Kelsey or Stavanger Drive"...!

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> Thank you for defending our heritage.

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> Stephanie Bowring

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Re: Baird Cottage
Art Puddister to: Karen Bonia

2016/04/11 10:12 AM

Thank you for your e mail,

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Sent from my iPad

> On Apr 10, 2016, at 11:59 AM, Karen Bonia [REDACTED]:

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> I am wondering why this beautiful heritage property is not being protected from demolition. Shame on those responsible. Please protect and save this landmark and do the right thing. St. John's is a beautiful city. It is my neighbourhood and I care. Get on board and fix this. Karen Bonia

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Re: 154 New Cove Road
Art Puddister to: Jason Sinyard
Cc: Council_group, Kevin Breen

2016/04/11 10:21 AM

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> On Apr 8, 2016, at 4:06 PM, Jason Sinyard <JSinyard@stjohns.ca> wrote:

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Art Puddister to: Jason Sinyard
Cc: Council_group, Kevin Breen

2016/04/11 10:21 AM

We're does this sit with our heritage experts committee can they be ready with a recommendation for next week due to the motion by councillor O Leary ?

What is the point of having such a committee unless we give them the time to do their work.

Await your reply,

Art Puddister

Sent from my iPad

> On Apr 8, 2016, at 4:06 PM, Jason Sinyard <JSinyard@stjohns.ca> wrote:

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> Good afternoon,

> I understand that some of you may have received calls that the windows have been papered over and interior demolition has begun. This has been investigated. The windows have been papered over by the owner to dissuade gawkers and better secure the site. As of this afternoon there has been no demolition.

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> Regards

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> Jason

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> Jason Sinyard, P.Eng., MBA

> Deputy City Manager

> Planning, Development & Engineering

> City of St. John's



Request to designate Bryn Mawr as a heritage site

gmugford to: citycouncil

Cc: gmugford

2016/04/11 10:30 AM

History:

This message has been replied to.

Dear City of St. John's Mayor and Counsellors:

As you are no doubt aware, our city is quickly losing its' historic properties. This is a combination of fire, development, deterioration, but most significantly, a lack of will to preserve the historic beauty of this city. All of us needs to take responsibility to protect our heritage. I am asking you to designate Bryn Mawr a heritage site.

Trusting that you will make a decision that protects the limited historic and important properties left in the greater St. Johns area,
Gerald Mugford.



Media Headlines - April 11, 2016

Kelly Maguire to: Council_group, Executives, Directors, Cindy McGrath, Ken O'Brien, Janet Adams, Strategy & Engagement 2016/04/11 10:38 AM



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VOCM Morning Show - Mon, April 11, 2016

CONCERNS FOR DOWNTOWN ST. JOHN'S: A perfect storm may be brewing for businesses in downtown St. John's. An increase in property taxes, now Suncor and the English School District plan to move their offices out of downtown. ["Des Whalen", St. John's Board of Trade Chair]

TELEGRAM - Cheers & Jeers

Jeers: to juxtaposition. Like that of an adult massage parlour and a day care next door to each other in an east end St. John's strip mall. Picture the goings on in a so-called "spa" – where clients are serviced by "beautiful young clean girls" – a mere wall's width from toddlers taking naps or playing with toys. "Ick" is one word that comes to mind. "Why did you have to tell me this" are others. You can imagine how parents felt when they realized there was a different kind of storytime going on next door. The day care lost all but a handful of clients, and basically had to shut down. The spa's owner has reportedly denied there was any hanky panky happening, though staff admitted it's not the kind of place you'd go for a pedicure or exfoliation. Is there nothing the city can do to ensure this kind of terrible pairing doesn't occur again? Let's hope so.

TELEGRAM- EDITORIAL - The silent church

In the resent controversy over the flying of a Christian flag in St. John's, some in the LGBTQ community referred to the cross of Christ as bigoted, hateful, homophobic and against women.

All of these statements are false and blasphemous. However, not one of the denominational church leaders in St. John's has spoken out to refute these blasphemous statements. One would think that these church leaders would point out the true meaning of the cross of Christ, that is, Jesus Christ shed his blood on the cross so that repentant sinners may have eternal life.

What would Jesus do in this situation? Surely he would have refuted these false statements about the cross of Christ in public and warned those who made these statements to "go and sin no more."

However, we live in a society where one must be politically correct and not hurt anyone's feelings. Unfortunately, the church has been silent on abortion, same-sex marriage, prostitution, same-sex parenting and euthanasia. Unless the church becomes more vocal, membership will continue to decline.

However, secular humanists and the LGBTQ lobby are extremely vocal and want all Christian prayers, signs and symbols eradicated from our society.

A 15-year-old teen from Winnipeg sums up the situation in Canada with the wisdom of an adult when he wrote a prayer for a class assignment. Here's a snippet: Now I sit me down in school

Where praying is against the rule For this great nation under God Finds mention of Him very odd

I will summarize the remainder of the poem as follows: we are allowed to cuss and dress like freaks. We can get our condoms and birth controls, study witchcraft, vampires and totem poles. However, to bow one's head, pray, quote the Bible or the Ten Commandments is not allowed because it might offend someone with no faith at all.

This prayer describes accurately the intolerance of anything Christian in society today. Unless our Christian leaders become vocal and say "no more persecution of Christians," it will only get much worse.

Tolson Chapman St. John's

CBC - St. John's cab company attracting new business with accessible vehicles

A dip in the economy usually means less work for taxis but one company in St. John's is bucking that trend and actually expanding its fleet.

While other companies are seeing business drop off, Newfound Cabs has found a way to attract some more business. Last May, the company became the first in the province to offer wheelchair-accessible rides.

<http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/newfoundland-labrador/disabled-taxi-business-april-2016-1.3529086>

CBC - New St. John's Farmers' Market could drive farm growth in province

A permanent home for the St. John's farmers market may spell big news for St. John's farmers. Evan Murray of Murray Meadows Farm says the move to an indoors, year-round facility means that his farm and others may expand to meet the increased demand.

"With this expansion, I think we could realistically look ahead to expanding the farm's output a little more," he said.

<http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/newfoundland-labrador/new-st-john-s-farmers-market-could-drive-farm-growth-in-province-1.3527786>

Media Headlines - April 09, 2016

CBC - St. John's mayor hoping for cheaper , less disruptive 'big dig'

St. John's Mayor Dennis O'Keefe has his fingers crossed that exploratory work on Water Street will yield positive results.

This spring the city is going to do some testing to see if a cheaper, less-invasive way to replace century-old water and sewer pipes from Waldegrave Street to Job's Cove will work.

It's looking at what city officials are calling "trenchless remediation." If it works, the trenchless method would require tearing up less of the street than the tradition method of replacing underground infrastructure.

<http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/newfoundland-labrador/dennis-okeefe-big-dig-1.3528010>

TELEGRAM - Rallying the troops to save Bryn Mawr

It's difficult to imagine a structure as large and impressive as Bryn Mawr falling through the cracks, but a request for demolition has been made on the home built in 1907 – prompting a group of more than 50 determined people to stand in front of the New Cove Road home on Friday rallying for it to be saved.

Also known as Baird's Cottage after its first owner, James C. Baird, Bryn Mawr is the latest in a series of buildings deemed historically important by the masses that still finds itself sitting empty

of any real designation that can save it.

St. John's Coun. Sheilagh O'Leary, who was at the rally, wants to change that. She'll put forward a motion on Monday's city council meeting to designate it as a St. John's heritage property, a designation that will mean a demolition permit can't be issued.

"A long-term solution? Not necessarily, but it is an immediate approach," O'Leary said.

The home is in her Ward 4 district, but O'Leary has also been a longtime supporter of preserving heritage buildings.

"It's going to be political will that determines what the immediate fate is of this building," she said.

Baird's Cottage was recognized as a registered heritage structure by the province in September 1993, but that's the sort of stamp that comes without any armour to keep the bulldozers away.

Lynn Green's mother was born in the house. Her great-grandfather was James C. Baird.

"If it's a provincial heritage property and nothing can be done and it doesn't mean anything, then what's the point of even having this designation?" Green said at the rally.

Although the group gathered Friday obviously shows a desire for the structure to be saved and a drive to raise awareness about the issue, such good intentions won't keep Baird's Cottage standing.

There are already unconfirmed reports that the insides are being stripped.

"To hear today that they're starting to take down parts of the inside ... it's really, really disturbing," said Green.

"I think we're going to have to move pretty quickly."

The motion to give Bryn Mawr St. John's heritage-property status will be put before council on Monday. It will be voted on the following week. Council has 90 days to respond to the demolition request.

TELEGRAM - Farmers' market to get new home in 2018

City of St. John's says plan to move to Freshwater Road is a go

The St. John's Farmers' Market (SJFM) will get its highly anticipated new permanent home in 2018, it was announced Friday morning.

The City of St. John's said the proposed plan for the market to move to Freshwater Road – the former Metrobus location – is going ahead with construction set to begin in 2017.

Along with years of fundraising by the St. John's Farmers' Market Co-operative, which will contribute \$100,000 to the project, funding is coming from the City of St. John's (\$2 million), the provincial Department of Business, Tourism, Culture and Rural Development (\$490,000), and the Atlantic Canada Opportunities Agency (almost \$1.17 million).

The new facility, operated by the market co-operative, will house the market as well as a community facility with a meeting area and kitchen, according to a news release from the city.

"A permanent home for the market has been the co-operative's dream ever since we started out as a small group of vendors and volunteers," said Joshua Smee, chair of the SJFM co-operative's board.

The market has grown so much that parking, space for vendors and accessibility at the current

space, at the Lions Club Chalet on Bonaventure Avenue, have become challenging.

“After years of bursting at the seams in our current location we are incredibly excited to expand not only our space, but also what the market can offer the community. People from all over St. John's have donated their money and their time to help make this happen, and we can't wait to open the doors. The cooperative also owes a special thanks to the Aviva Community Fund and the VOCM Cares Foundation – taken together, their support got us more than halfway to our \$100,000 goal.”

The city will soon issue a request for proposals for the design of the new building.

TELEGRAM - OPINION - Mayor seems out of touch

At the St. John's city council meeting on April 4, Coun. Jonathan Galgay proposed a two-year wage freeze for management. The instant body response and non-verbal mumbling noise from our mayor gave telling insight into his perspective on this proposal. This response should give us concern that our mayor is not hearing the many citizens' concerns that he needs to address fiscal management issues. It also indicates that he truly doesn't believe that there are issues.

Dennis O'Keefe closed out this meeting addressing citizens' concerns on the fiscal management of the city. He referenced a past Standard & Poor's and a Memorial University economist report to then conclude that the council is doing an exceptional job managing the city's finances. These ratings and opinions are primarily based on the ability of our city to pay for expenditures without going into default. They are not absolute measures of default, but opinions. So from this perspective, yes, the city has a good rating, as there appears to be no end to tax grabs to cover expenditures.

Referencing these sources and to come up with his conclusion is somewhat disingenuous and completely disrespectful to the many concerns of business and residential taxpayers. What our mayor is neglecting to account for is that the ability of the city to pay for the increasing expenditures comes from the numerous tax grabs from continuous increases in property assessments to a point of over-assessment.

There are many reasons that our budget and expenditures are out of control. Taxpayers have legitimate concerns, including salaries, as indicated by Galgay's proposal.

We are fed up with the blank cheque that O'Keefe uses to pay the bill. Under his leadership, our budget and expenses have gone out of control, there are many costly decisions that haven't been thought out thoroughly, and many citizens are burdened with taxes that are having a financial effect on their daily lives.

O'Keefe's past and present perspective is very troubling. He just doesn't get it.

Ken M. Johnson St. John's

CBC 8am News - Sat, April 09, 2016

RALLY TO SAVE BAIRD COTTAGE: Protesters gathered yesterday in St. John's in an attempt to save another heritage building. ["Peter Jackson", NL Historic Trust]

FARMER'S MARKET GETTING A NEW HOME: The St. John's Farmer's Market is getting a new permanent home and it will be a year-round market at the old Metrobus Building on Freshwater Road. ["Josh Smee", Chair of the St. John's Farmer's Market; "Evan Murray", Murray's Meadows Farm]

VOCM Morning News - Sat, April 09, 2016

RALLY HELD TO SAVE BAIRD COTTAGE FROM DEMOLITION: Some seventy people turned out yesterday for a rally to save Baird Cottage in St. John's from possible demolition. ["Sheilagh O'Leary", St. John's City Council]

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TREES AVAILABLE TO CITY RESIDENTS: The City of St. John's is making 150 trees available for planting by local residents after getting a grant of \$25 thousand under the TD Green Streets program.

CBC 8am News - Sun, April 10, 2016

TRENCH-LESS TECHNOLOGY BEING LOOKED AT: Engineers in St. John's are looking at less costly ways to replace century old water and sewer pipes. ["Mayor Dennis O'Keefe", St. John's]

NTV Evening Newshour - Sun, April 10, 2016

O'LEARY TO MAKE A MOTION TO SAVE BAIRD COTTAGE: On Monday, St. John's City Councillor Sheilagh O'Leary will try to save a heritage home from demolition.

Media Headlines - April 08, 2016

Rally to save Bryn Mawr heritage home in St. John's

Dozens of residents rallied outside a historic St. John's home on Friday, trying to pressure the property owner and city council to save the heritage building.

About 80 people gathered just outside the house known as Bryn Mawr, on New Cove Road, protesting a recent attempt to tear the building down.

<http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/newfoundland-labrador/rally-to-save-bryn-mawr-heritage-home-in-st-john-s-1.3527536>

NTV Mid-Day News - Fri, April 08, 2016

TRENCHLESS SYSTEM MAY BE USED INSTEAD OF DOWNTOWN ST. JOHN'S BIG DIG: Engineers with the City of St. John's say there may be a way to lessen the impact of the big dig

on Water Street. ["Danny Breen", Public Works; "Gaylyne Lambert", Downtown St. John's]

ADULT MASSAGE PARLOUR BLAMED FOR PRE-SCHOOL CLOSURE: An adult massage parlour in the capital city's East End is being blamed for the closure of a neighbouring pre-school. ["Danny Breen", St. John's City Councillor]

VOCM Back Talk - Fri, April 08, 2016

PROTEST OUTSIDE BRYN MAWR: "Lynne Green" is calling to talk about the protest outside of Bryn Mawr on Portugal Cove Road starting at 4:30. She urges listeners to go down to show their support or at least honk their car horns as they drive pass. She comments this is the first time she has gotten involved but she has a special connection to this heritage property as her mother was born there. She says they are stripping some things out of the property already.

CBC On The Go - Fri, April 08, 2016

NL HISTORIC TRUST RALLY AGAINST BAIRD'S COTTAGE DESTRUCTION: Call it Bryn Mawr or Baird's Cottage, whatever you call it, it is a huge, majestic house that sits on a multi-acre lot at the intersection of Portugal Cove and New Cove Roads in St. John's. It has stood there for 111 years, ever since it was built in 1907 by prominent local businessman James Baird. But now, the owners of the Heritage house have submitted an application to City Hall to tear it down. They have already been hard at it, stripping the house of its interior embellishments. A public rally is on the go right now in opposition to the house's destruction. ["Peter Jackson", President of the NL Historic Trust; "Todd O'Brien", CBC News]

GOVERNMENT FUNDING WILL PROVIDE PERMANENT SPOT FOR FARMER'S MARKET: There was some great news for fans of the Farmer's Market in St. John's today. It will have a permanent year-round home at the old Metrobus building on Freshwater Road. We will have to wait until 2018 before the site is ready for the vendors and the shoppers. The facility will have space for other community activities, as well. The City will pay \$2 million towards the move. That's just over half of the \$3.7 million price tag. The announcement was made at City Hall today. ["Tom Hann", St. John's Councillor-at-Large; "Dennis O'Keefe", St. John's Mayor; "Josh Smee", St. John's Farmer's Market; "Eben Murray", Murray Meadows Farm]

VOCM Evening News - Fri, April 08, 2016

DEMONSTRATION OUTSIDE BAIRD COTTAGE: A demonstration outside Bryn Mawr, the latest heritage home in the City that could be destined for destruction.

FUNDING FOR FARMER'S MARKET: The St. John's Farmer's Market is set to receive close to four million dollars towards a new permanent space and community centre in the old Metrobus building on Freshwater Road

BIG DIG PROJECT UNDER REVIEW: The original big dig project proposed by St. John's City Council is going under review and a new less costly project be launched in its place. ["Gaylyne Lambert", Spokesperson; "Vaughn Hammond", Chair - Canadian Federation of Independent Business]

CBC Here & Now - Fri, April 08, 2016

ST. JOHN'S MAY SCALE BACK ON WATER STREET BIG DIG: It is great news for downtown business owners - St. John's is scaling back its big dig planned for Water Street in 2017. ["Dennis O'Keefe", St. John's Mayor]

FUNDING FOR FARMER'S MARKET NEW HOME: The St. John's Farmer's Market got a new permanent home today. ["Tom Hann", St. John's City Councillor; "Joshua Smee", St. John's Farmer's Market Co-Op; Evan Murray", Murray Meadows Farm]

PROTESTORS WANT TO SAVE BAIRD'S COTTAGE: Protestors tried to send a message to St.

John's City Council this evening. ["Peter Jackson", NL Historic Trust]

NTV Evening Newshour - Fri, April 08, 2016

FUNDING FOR ST. JOHN'S FARMER'S MARKET'S NEW HOME: A new Farmer's Market is coming to town to replace an already popular one on Bonaventure Avenue in St. John's. ["Joshua Smee", St. John's Farmer's Market Co-Op; "Tom Hann", St. John's City Councillor; "Zainab Jerrett", Market Vendor; "Sheilagh O'Leary", St. John's City Councillor]

VOLUNTEER CELEBRATION: The City of St. John's and MUN's Student Volunteer Bureau came together today to honour and celebrate students and community members who volunteer their time and efforts to make our communities a better place. ["Unidentified", MUN's Student Volunteer Bureau; "Ron Ellsworth", St. John's Deputy Mayor; "Gary Kachanoski", MUN President; "Jennifer Massey", Director of Student Life at MUN]

VOCM Night Line - Fri, April 08, 2016

INTERESTING CALLS: Host preamble. Some interesting calls lined up for tonight's show including the Chair of the St. John's Farmer's Market.

ST. JOHN'S FARMER'S MARKET EXPANSION: "Josh Smee" is excited about the funding which came through today to create a permanent year-round St. John's Farmer's Market at the former Metrobus depot. The new location will allow for more vendors and more benefits for them, such as refrigeration and cooking facilities on site with their booth. Everyone is very excited about what the market will look like in their new spot when everything is ready in 2018.



Baird Cottage
samgwells to: citycouncil

2016/04/11 10:43 AM

I think it is time council made some serious policies regarding Historical properties in our old city

There must be a way in conjunction with the city, the province, and federal governments to save our heritage there are far too many historical homes being demolished

Make policies now before it is too late

Sam

Sent from my Bell Samsung device over Canada's largest network.



Please save Bryn Mawr
Margaret P Burton to: rellsworth

2016/04/11 11:14 AM

History:

This message has been replied to.

Dear Deputy Mayor,

We were upset to learn that Bryn Mawr might be demolished.

In our view older properties continue to make St. John's an interesting city for both local people and tourists. To demolish this property and replace it with a subdivision or condominiums will seriously reduce the attractiveness of the city. The area it occupies is currently very prominent, with park-like surroundings. Why not designate this as public parkland, needed in the East end, and have the building as a museum, showcasing the architectural styles of Newfoundland, and directing both tourists and local people to other sites of interest, including perhaps (with agreement of relevant owners) tours to see Winterholome and other fine buildings, in or out of town.

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We think Bryn Mawr would make a wonderful museum and tourist office, increasing the tourist possibilities for both St. John's and the province.

Yours sincerely,

Margaret and Derek Burton



Re: Historic Properties
Sheilagh O'Leary to: Jeff Marshall

2016/04/11 11:18 AM

Jeff,

I will emphatically support Bryn Mawr's St. John's City heritage designation and oppose its demolition. Further to this, I fully plan to advocate that the City adopts regulations that continue to support heritage conservation/ celebration moving forward,

Thank you for your email.

Cheers

Sheilagh

Ward 4 Councillor

Sent from my iPhone

On Apr 11, 2016, at 10:39 AM, Jeff Marshall [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]> wrote:

Hi,

I'm writing in support of saving Baird's Cottage specifically and in support of preserving historic properties generally.

We are lucky to live in a City with such immense culture and heritage. This culture makes St. John's a truly unique place that we can all be proud of. I would argue that pride of place is much more important in St. John's than other Canadian Cities. Given our relative isolation and climate, this pride more than makes up for anything else. Cultural heritage, in my opinion, is the basis of the pride we all feel.

I am hopeful that council will not only save Baird's Cottage, but will continue to work for a longer term and proactive solution to this issue.

Thanks for your time,

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Dr. Jeff Marshall, BScKin, DC, CSCS
Back Home Chiropractic
Bidgood's North Plaza, Goulds, NL





Saving Bryn Mawr
Margaret P Burton to: soleary

2016/04/11 11:22 AM

Dear Councillor O'Leary,

We have sent the following message (entitled Please save Bryn Mawr) to members of council in the hope it might help:

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154 new cove

Jason Sinyard to: Kevin Breen, Cheryl L Mullett

2016/04/11 11:23 AM

Speaking with Syl who advises the the new heritage experts panel will be upset by a council motion that circumvents their efforts.



Re: Please save Bryn Mawr
Ron Ellsworth to: Margaret P Burton

2016/04/11 11:25 AM

Thank for your email and sharing your concerns .

All information will be considered if and when a application comes to council
Sent from my iPhone

> On Apr 11, 2016, at 11:14 AM, Margaret P Burton [REDACTED] wrote:

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Please save Bryn Mawr
Margaret P Burton to: shickman

2016/04/11 11:26 AM

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Re: Bryn Mawr
Ron Ellsworth to: Scott Fitzgerald

2016/04/11 11:28 AM

Scott Trust all is well
The question I am faced with and have no answer is this point

So who would pay to restore and maintain this property ?

The province as no real program and we have nothing in place for real funding .

Thanks
Sent from my iPhone

- > On Apr 11, 2016, at 11:19 AM, Scott Fitzgerald [REDACTED] > wrote:
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- > Councillors, please accept this email and add it to the list of supporters pushing for preservation of the property known as 'Bryn Mawr'.
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- > St. John's has not demonstrated enough resolve in support of its built heritage in recent years. This is an opportunity to 'get it right' where heritage is concerned and show citizens that it values its historical buildings.
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- > Once these structures are gone they are gone for good and then 'The Oldest City in North America' looks no different than any other. Let's stop this from happening.
- >
- > Scott Fitzgerald



Letter Regarding the Demolition Application for the Bryn Mawr Property

Annika Scharwey to: planning, dokeefe, rellsworth, dbreen,
jgalgay, btiley, soleary, wcollins, thann,
shickman, dlane, apuddister

2016/04/11 11:32 AM

Good morning all,

Please see attached letter regarding the demolition application for the Bryn Mawr property. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Regards,

Annika Scharwey



 Bryn Mawr Letter.pdf



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Re: Bryn Mawr
Sheilagh O'Leary to: Scott Fitzgerald

2016/04/11 11:38 AM

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Ward 4 Councillor

Sent from my iPhone

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> Councillors, please accept this email and add it to the list of supporters pushing for preservation of the property known as 'Bryn Mawr'.

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> Once these structures are gone they are gone for good and then 'The Oldest City in North America' looks no different than any other. Let's stop this from happening.

>

> Scott Fitzgerald



Re: Media Headlines - April 11, 2016

Dave Lane to: Kelly Maguire

2016/04/11 11:41 AM

Cc: Council_group, Executives, Directors, Cindy McGrath, Ken O'Brien,
Janet Adams, Strategy & Engagement

Hi All,

A quick clarification to a couple of news items below where it says I was "asking questions" as to why we hadn't thought of trenchless remediation for Water St. That should probably say I was "answering questions," as I explained we had thought of it before but the scope of the project expanded to enable us to achieve other goals that now won't be addressed should we go that route.

Cheers,
Dave

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On Apr 11, 2016, at 10:38, Kelly Maguire <kmaguire@stjohns.ca> wrote:

(See attached file: Media Headlines - April 11, 2016.docx)

Media Headlines – April 11, 2016

VOCM Morning Show - Mon, April 11, 2016

CONCERNS FOR DOWNTOWN ST. JOHN'S: A perfect storm may be brewing for businesses in downtown St. John's. An increase in property taxes, now Suncor and the English School District plan to move their offices out of downtown. ["Des Whalen", St. John's Board of Trade Chair]

TELEGRAM - Cheers & Jeers

Jeers: to juxtaposition. Like that of an adult massage parlour and a day care next door to each other in an east end St. John's strip mall. Picture the goings on in a so-called "spa" — where clients are serviced by "beautiful young clean girls" — a mere wall's width from toddlers taking naps or playing with toys. "Ick" is one word that comes to mind. "Why did you have to tell me this" are others. You can imagine how parents felt when they realized there was a different kind of storytime going on next door. The day care lost all but a handful of clients, and basically had to shut down. The spa's owner has reportedly denied there was any hanky panky happening, though staff admitted it's not

the kind of place you'd go for a pedicure or exfoliation. Is there nothing the city can do to ensure this kind of terrible pairing doesn't occur again? Let's hope so.

TELEGRAM- EDITORIAL - The silent church

In the recent controversy over the flying of a Christian flag in St. John's, some in the LGBTQ community referred to the cross of Christ as bigoted, hateful, homophobic and against women.

All of these statements are false and blasphemous. However, not one of the denominational church leaders in St. John's has spoken out to refute these blasphemous statements. One would think that these church leaders would point out the true meaning of the cross of Christ, that is, Jesus Christ shed his blood on the cross so that repentant sinners may have eternal life.

What would Jesus do in this situation? Surely he would have refuted these false statements about the cross of Christ in public and warned those who made these statements to "go and sin no more."

However, we live in a society where one must be politically correct and not hurt anyone's feelings. Unfortunately, the church has been silent on abortion, same-sex marriage, prostitution, same-sex parenting and euthanasia. Unless the church becomes more vocal, membership will continue to decline.

However, secular humanists and the LGBTQ lobby are extremely vocal and want all Christian prayers, signs and symbols eradicated from our society.

A 15-year-old teen from Winnipeg sums up the situation in Canada with the wisdom of an adult when he wrote a prayer for a class assignment. Here's a snippet: Now I sit me down in school Where praying is against the rule For this great nation under God Finds mention of Him very odd

I will summarize the remainder of the poem as follows: we are allowed to cuss and dress like freaks. We can get our condoms and birth controls, study witchcraft, vampires and totem poles. However, to bow one's head, pray, quote the Bible or the Ten Commandments is not allowed because it might offend someone with no faith at all.

This prayer describes accurately the intolerance of anything Christian in society today. Unless our Christian leaders become vocal and say "no more persecution of Christians," it will only get much worse.

Tolson Chapman St. John's

CBC - St. John's cab company attracting new business with accessible vehicles

A dip in the economy usually means less work for taxis but one company in St. John's is

bucking that trend and actually expanding its fleet.

While other companies are seeing business drop off, Newfoundland Cabs has found a way to attract some more business. Last May, the company became the first in the province to offer wheelchair-accessible rides.

<http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/newfoundland-labrador/disabled-taxi-business-april-2016-1.3529086>

CBC - New St. John's Farmers' Market could drive farm growth in province

A permanent home for the St. John's farmers market may spell big news for St. John's farmers.

Evan Murray of Murray Meadows Farm says the move to an indoors, year-round facility means that his farm and others may expand to meet the increased demand.

"With this expansion, I think we could realistically look ahead to expanding the farm's output a little more," he said.

<http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/newfoundland-labrador/new-st-john-s-farmers-market-could-drive-farm-growth-in-province-1.3527786>

Media Headlines – April 09, 2016

CBC - St. John's mayor hoping for cheaper, less disruptive 'big dig'

St. John's Mayor Dennis O'Keefe has his fingers crossed that exploratory work on Water Street will yield positive results.

This spring the city is going to do some testing to see if a cheaper, less-invasive way to replace century-old water and sewer pipes from Waldegrave Street to Job's Cove will work.

It's looking at what city officials are calling "trenchless remediation." If it works, the trenchless method would require tearing up less of the street than the tradition method of replacing underground infrastructure.

<http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/newfoundland-labrador/dennis-okeefe-big-dig-1.3528010>

TELEGRAM - Rallying the troops to save Bryn Mawr

It's difficult to imagine a structure as large and impressive as Bryn Mawr falling through the cracks, but a request for demolition has been made on the home built in 1907 — prompting a group of more than 50 determined people to stand in front of the New Cove Road home on Friday rallying for it to be saved.

Also known as Baird's Cottage after its first owner, James C. Baird, Bryn Mawr is the latest in a series of buildings deemed historically important by the masses that still finds itself sitting empty of any real designation that can save it.

St. John's Coun. Sheilagh O'Leary, who was at the rally, wants to change that. She'll put forward a motion on Monday's city council meeting to designate it as a St. John's heritage property, a designation that will mean a demolition permit can't be issued.

“A long-term solution? Not necessarily, but it is an immediate approach,” O’Leary said.

The home is in her Ward 4 district, but O’Leary has also been a longtime supporter of preserving heritage buildings.

“It’s going to be political will that determines what the immediate fate is of this building,” she said.

Baird’s Cottage was recognized as a registered heritage structure by the province in September 1993, but that’s the sort of stamp that comes without any armour to keep the bulldozers away.

Lynn Green’s mother was born in the house. Her great-grandfather was James C. Baird.

“If it’s a provincial heritage property and nothing can be done and it doesn’t mean anything, then what’s the point of even having this designation?” Green said at the rally.

Although the group gathered Friday obviously shows a desire for the structure to be saved and a drive to raise awareness about the issue, such good intentions won’t keep Baird’s Cottage standing.

There are already unconfirmed reports that the insides are being stripped.

“To hear today that they’re starting to take down parts of the inside ... it’s really, really disturbing,” said Green.

“I think we’re going to have to move pretty quickly.”

The motion to give Bryn Mawr St. John’s heritage-property status will be put before council on Monday. It will be voted on the following week. Council has 90 days to respond to the demolition request.

TELEGRAM - Farmers’ market to get new home in 2018

City of St. John’s says plan to move to Freshwater Road is a go

The St. John’s Farmers’ Market (SJFM) will get its highly anticipated new permanent home in 2018, it was announced Friday morning.

The City of St. John’s said the proposed plan for the market to move to Freshwater Road — the former Metrobus location — is going ahead with construction set to begin in 2017.

Along with years of fundraising by the St. John’s Farmers’ Market Co-operative, which will contribute \$100,000 to the project, funding is coming from the City of St. John’s (\$2

million), the provincial Department of Business, Tourism, Culture and Rural Development (\$490,000), and the Atlantic Canada Opportunities Agency (almost \$1.17 million).

The new facility, operated by the market co-operative, will house the market as well as a community facility with a meeting area and kitchen, according to a news release from the city.

“A permanent home for the market has been the co-operative's dream ever since we started out as a small group of vendors and volunteers,” said Joshua Smee, chair of the SJFM co-operative's board.

The market has grown so much that parking, space for vendors and accessibility at the current space, at the Lions Club Chalet on Bonaventure Avenue, have become challenging.

“After years of bursting at the seams in our current location we are incredibly excited to expand not only our space, but also what the market can offer the community. People from all over St. John's have donated their money and their time to help make this happen, and we can't wait to open the doors. The cooperative also owes a special thanks to the Aviva Community Fund and the VOCM Cares Foundation — taken together, their support got us more than halfway to our \$100,000 goal.”

The city will soon issue a request for proposals for the design of the new building.

TELEGRAM – OPINION - Mayor seems out of touch

At the St. John's city council meeting on April 4, Coun. Jonathan Galgay proposed a two-year wage freeze for management. The instant body response and non-verbal mumbling noise from our mayor gave telling insight into his perspective on this proposal. This response should give us concern that our mayor is not hearing the many citizens' concerns that he needs to address fiscal management issues. It also indicates that he truly doesn't believe that there are issues.

Dennis O'Keefe closed out this meeting addressing citizens' concerns on the fiscal management of the city. He referenced a past Standard & Poor's and a Memorial University economist report to then conclude that the council is doing an exceptional job managing the city's finances. These ratings and opinions are primarily based on the ability of our city to pay for expenditures without going into default. They are not absolute measures of default, but opinions. So from this perspective, yes, the city has a good rating, as there appears to be no end to tax grabs to cover expenditures.

Referencing these sources and to come up with his conclusion is somewhat disingenuous and completely disrespectful to the many concerns of business and residential taxpayers. What our mayor is neglecting to account for is that the ability of the city to pay for the increasing expenditures comes from the numerous tax grabs from continuous increases in

property assessments to a point of over-assessment.

There are many reasons that our budget and expenditures are out of control. Taxpayers have legitimate concerns, including salaries, as indicated by Galgay's proposal.

We are fed up with the blank cheque that O'Keefe uses to pay the bill. Under his leadership, our budget and expenses have gone out of control, there are many costly decisions that haven't been thought out thoroughly, and many citizens are burdened with taxes that are having a financial effect on their daily lives.

O'Keefe's past and present perspective is very troubling. He just doesn't get it.

Ken M. Johnson St. John's

CBC 8am News - Sat, April 09, 2016

RALLY TO SAVE BAIRD COTTAGE: Protesters gathered yesterday in St. John's in an attempt to save another heritage building. ["Peter Jackson", NL Historic Trust]

FARMER'S MARKET GETTING A NEW HOME: The St. John's Farmer's Market is getting a new permanent home and it will be a year-round market at the old Metrobus Building on Freshwater Road. ["Josh Smee", Chair of the St. John's Farmer's Market; "Evan Murray", Murray's Meadows Farm]

VOCM Morning News - Sat, April 09, 2016

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TREES AVAILABLE TO CITY RESIDENTS: The City of St. John's is making 150 trees available for planting by local residents after getting a grant of \$25 thousand under the TD Green Streets program.

CBC 8am News - Sun, April 10, 2016

TRENCH-LESS TECHNOLOGY BEING LOOKED AT: Engineers in St. John's are looking at less costly ways to replace century old water and sewer pipes. ["Mayor Dennis O'Keefe", St. John's]

NTV Evening Newshour - Sun, April 10, 2016

O'LEARY TO MAKE A MOTION TO SAVE BAIRD COTTAGE: On Monday, St. John's City Councillor Sheilagh O'Leary will try to save a heritage home from demolition.

Media Headlines – April 08, 2016

Rally to save Bryn Mawr heritage home in St. John's

Dozens of residents rallied outside a historic St. John's home on Friday, trying to pressure the property owner and city council to save the heritage building.

About 80 people gathered just outside the house known as Bryn Mawr, on New Cove Road, protesting a recent attempt to tear the building down.

<http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/newfoundland-labrador/rally-to-save-bryn-mawr-heritage-home-in-st-john-s-1.3527536>

NTV Mid-Day News - Fri, April 08, 2016

TRENCHLESS SYSTEM MAY BE USED INSTEAD OF DOWNTOWN ST. JOHN'S BIG DIG: Engineers with the City of St. John's say there may be a way to lessen the impact of the big dig on Water Street. ["Danny Breen", Public Works; "Gaylyne Lambert", Downtown St. John's]

ADULT MASSAGE PARLOUR BLAMED FOR PRE-SCHOOL CLOSURE: An adult massage parlour in the capital city's East End is being blamed for the closure of a neighbouring pre-school. ["Danny Breen", St. John's City Councillor]

VOCM Back Talk - Fri, April 08, 2016

PROTEST OUTSIDE BRYN MAWR: "Lynne Green" is calling to talk about the protest outside of Bryn Mawr on Portugal Cove Road starting at 4:30. She urges listeners to go down to show their support or at least honk their car horns as they drive pass. She comments this is the first time she has gotten involved but she has a special connection to this heritage property as her mother was born there. She says they are stripping some things out of the property already.

CBC On The Go - Fri, April 08, 2016

NL HISTORIC TRUST RALLY AGAINST BAIRD'S COTTAGE DESTRUCTION: Call it Bryn Mawr or Baird's Cottage, whatever you call it, it is a huge, majestic house that sits on a multi-acre lot at the intersection of Portugal Cove and New Cove Roads in St. John's. It has stood there for 111 years, ever since it was built in 1907 by prominent local businessman James Baird. But now, the owners of the Heritage house have submitted an application to City Hall to tear it down. They have already been hard at it, stripping the house of its interior embellishments. A public rally is on the go right now in opposition to the house's destruction. ["Peter Jackson", President of the NL Historic Trust; "Todd O'Brien", CBC News]

GOVERNMENT FUNDING WILL PROVIDE PERMANENT SPOT FOR FARMER'S MARKET: There was some great news for fans of the Farmer's Market in St. John's today. It will have a permanent year-round home at the old Metrobus building on Freshwater Road. We will have to wait until 2018 before the site is ready for the vendors and the shoppers. The facility will have space for other community activities, as well. The City will pay \$2 million towards the move. That's just over half of the \$3.7 million price tag. The announcement was made at City Hall today. ["Tom Hann", St. John's Councillor-at-Large; "Dennis O'Keefe", St. John's Mayor; "Josh Smee", St. John's Farmer's Market; "Eben Murray", Murray Meadows Farm]

VOCM Evening News - Fri, April 08, 2016

DEMONSTRATION OUTSIDE BAIRD COTTAGE: A demonstration outside Bryn Mawr, the latest heritage home in the City that could be destined for destruction.

FUNDING FOR FARMER'S MARKET: The St. John's Farmer's Market is set to receive close to four million dollars towards a new permanent space and community centre in the old Metrobus building on Freshwater Road

BIG DIG PROJECT UNDER REVIEW: The original big dig project proposed by St. John's City Council is going under review and a new less costly project be launched in it's place. ["Gaylyne Lambert", Spokesperson; "Vaughn Hammond", Chair - Canadian Federation of Independent Business]

CBC Here & Now - Fri, April 08, 2016

ST. JOHN'S MAY SCALE BACK ON WATER STREET BIG DIG: It is great news for downtown business owners - St. John's is scaling back its big dig planned for Water Street in 2017. ["Dennis O'Keefe", St. John's Mayor]

FUNDING FOR FARMER'S MARKET NEW HOME: The St. John's Farmer's Market got a new permanent home today. ["Tom Hann", St. John's City Councillor; "Joshua Smee", St. John's Farmer's Market Co-Op; Evan Murray", Murray Meadows Farm]

PROTESTORS WANT TO SAVE BAIRD'S COTTAGE: Protestors tried to send a message to St. John's City Council this evening. ["Peter Jackson", NL Historic Trust]

NTV Evening Newshour - Fri, April 08, 2016

FUNDING FOR ST. JOHN'S FARMER'S MARKET'S NEW HOME: A new Farmer's Market is coming to town to replace an already popular one on Bonaventure Avenue in St. John's. ["Joshua Smee", St. John's Farmer's Market Co-Op; "Tom Hann", St. John's City Councillor; "Zainab Jerrett", Market Vendor; "Sheilagh O'Leary", St. John's City Councillor]

VOLUNTEER CELEBRATION: The City of St. John's and MUN's Student Volunteer Bureau came together today to honour and celebrate students and community members who volunteer their time and efforts to make our communities a better place. ["Unidentified", MUN's Student Volunteer Bureau; "Ron Ellsworth", St. John's Deputy Mayor; "Gary Kachanoski", MUN President; "Jennifer Massey", Director of Student Life at MUN]

VOCM Night Line - Fri, April 08, 2016

INTERESTING CALLS: Host preamble. Some interesting calls lined up for tonight's show including the Chair of the St. John's Farmer's Market.

ST. JOHN'S FARMER'S MARKET EXPANSION: "Josh Smee" is excited about the funding which came through today to create a permanent year-round St. John's Farmer's Market at the former Metrobus depot. The new location will allow for more vendors and more benefits for them, such as refrigeration and cooking facilities on site with their booth. Everyone is very excited about what the market will look like in their new spot when everything is ready in 2018.

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Re: couple of things
Dave Lane to: Jerry Dick

2016/04/11 11:45 AM

Hey Jerry,
How does 3:30/4pm work for you on Thursday?
Dave

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On Apr 11, 2016, at 09:43, Jerry Dick [REDACTED] > wrote:

Dave, I have a meeting at 3:00 pm but am available before that or on Thursday afternoon.
Jerry

On Apr 9, 2016, at 8:28 PM, Dave Lane <dlane@stjohns.ca> wrote:

Hi Jerry,
Sorry I didn't get back to you! Work has been pretty hairy lately. How does your Tuesday afternoon look, say 3/4pm?
Dave

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On Apr 6, 2016, at 09:25, Jerry Dick <jerry@heritagefoundation.ca> wrote:

Hi Dave:

I could meet first thing on Thursday morning if you were available. How about 8:30 at Starbucks 351 Water? I can fill you in on some broader discussions we are having with the Trust and the city on longer term strategies to encourage the adaptive reuse of heritage buildings.

Jerry

On Apr 3, 2016, at 9:38 AM, Dave Lane <dlane@stjohns.ca> wrote:



Bryn Mawr (Baird's Cottage)
Alberta Auringer Wood to: citycouncil

2016/04/11 11:52 AM

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Heritage questions - By-Law No. 1461

Ken O'Brien to: Arthur MacDonald

2016/04/11 12:11 PM

Thanks, Arthur, for bringing me in the loop. I'll respond to Councillor O'Leary but without your draft comments.

Ken

Arthur MacDonald	Hi Ken, Please review email below and my com...	2016/04/11 09:17:36 AM
From:	Arthur MacDonald/CSJ	
To:	Ken O'Brien/CSJ@CSJ	
Date:	2016/04/11 09:17 AM	
Subject:	Fw: By-Law No. 1461	

Hi Ken,

Please review email below and my comments below and advise if I'm incorrect:

1) "so that any possible future correspondence is circulated internally to all council members from a city employee" - My understanding is that I should not be corresponding directly to council members but rather through the BHEP and P & D Committee.

2) "If so, any amendment to the By-Law requires public disclosure as it is part of a public process and any member of the public can appeal that amendment." - I don't believe there is a mechanism for appeal to such a By-law under the City of St. John's Act. Please verify.

3) "The By-Law and/or any amendment carries forward with the title deed ensuring that all parties are informed of the status of heritage designation." - The By-law to designate a building as a Heritage Building is not filed at the Registry of Deeds therefore it does not follow the title of the property."

4) "every municipal council can always decline a permit for demolition and I look forward to further discussion with you on this regard." - I don't believe this is true - a municipality needs good reason to refuse a demolition permit and in NL I believe they are subject to an appeal process.

Please feel free to discuss with Sylvester at your discretion -

Regards,

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Bryan Mawr etc.
Linda G. Bartlett to: citycouncil

2016/04/11 12:26 PM

History:

This message has been replied to.

I am very concerned about the continued loss of the built heritage of our City. Too many properties Hv already been lost. Please do not facilitate further destruction by allowing this to continue with Bryn Mawr and Richmond Cottage. We are losing structures which make us unique! This type of heritage cannot be replaced once it is lost. You are the stewards of our City's heritage and need to preserve it for future generations. Linda Bartlett

Sent from my iPad



Bryn mawr
sehowleyf@gmail.com to: citycouncil

2016/04/11 12:44 PM

Please honour the heritage designation of this house and refuse demolition permit.
I urge you to preserve instead of destroying our history - let us revere and properly value those sites which tell so much of the story of our Newfoundland.
Sarah Fletcher

Sent from my Samsung Galaxy Tab



Re: Bryn Mawr (Baird's Cottage)
Sheilagh O'Leary to: Alberta Auringer Wood

2016/04/11 12:51 PM

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Sam

Sent from my Bell Samsung device over Canada's largest network.



Access to information request - 154 New Cove Road

o: City Clerk and Council
Cc: Jason Sinyard, Karen Chafe

2016/04/11 02:31 PM

History: This message has been forwarded.

Dear Miss Henley,

Attached please find my formal request for information relating to 154 New Cove Road (Bryn Mawr).

Please confirm receipt of this email.



ACCESS REQUEST RE BRYN MAWR - APRIL 11, 2016.pdf



Fw: Beothuks & Bulldozers
Ken O'Brien to: Ken O'Brien

2016/04/11 03:21 PM

----- Forwarded by Ken O'Brien/CSJ on 2016/04/11 03:21 PM -----

From: Jeremy Bryant <[REDACTED]>
To: Maria Lear <[REDACTED]>, Gerard Hayes HAC <[REDACTED]>,
Sandy Hickman Hickman CSJ Coun HAC <shickman@stjohns.ca>
Cc: [REDACTED]

Date: 2016/04/08 09:26 AM
Subject: Beothuks & Bulldozers

Interesting article by archeologist Gerald Penney. Especially the references to how things were just taken down without much thought to documenting or preserving anything. At least Gerald had the foresight or as he suggests 'pursuit of datable artifacts' to pull the only artifacts from the site in 1979. I wonder what is happening to the datable artifacts at Bryn Mawr.

Also, note on page 36 we had a 'small Gothic masterpiece' on the southside at one point, its a shame we don't anymore..

Jeremy

[attachment "beothuks & bulldozers.pdf" deleted by Ken O'Brien/CSJ]



Bryn Mawr
Susan Williams to: citycouncil

2016/04/11 04:06 PM

Council Members,

Please designate Bryn Mawr as a heritage building so that a demolition permit cannot be provided. Please do everything possible to avoid any more demolitions and work on new rules and incentives to preserve the heritage of St. John's.

Susan Williams

St. John's resident

Heritage Properties

Jason Sinyard to: Sylvester Crocker, Dave Wadden, Randy Carew, Gerard Doran, Ken O'Brien

2016/04/11 05:45 PM

Council has directed that they be advised as soon as we become aware of development and/or demolition interest on any of the properties listed in previous heritage reports - not to wait until an application has been received to notify them. Please bring any such issues to my attention.

On the same note, please advise if you are currently aware of any ongoing issues and/or discussions on any of these properties other than 154 New Cove Road. Ken perhaps you can circulate the list of properties.

Thanks

Jason

Jason Sinyard, P.Eng., MBA
Deputy City Manager
Planning, Development & Engineering
City of St. John's



Bryn Mawr
Cook, Mandy to: citycouncil@stjohns.ca

2016/04/11 10:23 PM

History:

This message has been replied to.

Hello -- I am writing to express my extreme disappointment over how the city has completely mismanaged the heritage structures in St. John's. This place is special, but it won't be for much longer. Our built heritage is finite, and once thoughtlessly razed to the ground, the craftsmanship, artistry and history will never be seen again. Structures such as Bryn Mawr simply are not built anymore. Show some leadership and vision for a city and community that places value on its historic architecture! Please!

Sent from my iPhone



Re: Bryn Mawr
Ron Ellsworth to: Cook, Mandy

2016/04/12 08:26 AM

Mandy

We are bringing forward no rules and requisitions to finally start protecting the heritage in our City .

The chalking is who pats to maintain it , a tax break won't do it . We need ability for home Owners that get real support . We need to partner with the province and the Feds to come up with a program to accomplish that .

I understand your concerns on mismanagement but I have the disagree . We are required to apply certain rules and regulations .

We are working to change these to actually in power council .

Please call me at 576 8363 to discuss if you wish .

Thank you

Sent from my iPhone

> On Apr 11, 2016, at 10:23 PM, Cook, Mandy <[REDACTED]>:

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> Sent from my iPhone



Re: Bryn Mawr
Ron Ellsworth to: Susan Williams

2016/04/12 09:20 AM

Correct , which is we're we get into complicated situation .
The goal is to have a process in the future your to avoid this .
Thanks

Sent from my iPhone

On Apr 12, 2016, at 9:17 AM, Susan Williams <[REDACTED]> wrote:

I appreciate your reply. My understanding is that the owners have already submitted an application for a demolition permit.

On Mon, Apr 11, 2016 at 6:02 PM, Ron Ellsworth <rellsworth@stjohns.ca> wrote:

Susan

Thank for your email and sharing your concerns .
All information will be considered if and when a application comes to council

Sent from my iPhone

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CD - Notice of Motion re: 154 New C...(R2016-04-11/14) requires your response.

Kathy Driscoll to: Jason Sinyard

2016/04/12 09:30 AM

Cc: Sheilagh O'Leary, Arthur MacDonald, Ken O'Brien, Cheryl L Mullett

History: This message has been forwarded.

Please respond to the Council Directive as soon as possible. The deadline for your response is 2016/05/11 --> R2016-04-11/14

RE:Notice of Motion re: 154 New Cove Road



RE: Bryn Mawr
Cook, Mandy to: Sheilagh O'Leary

2016/04/12 09:48 AM

Thanks, Sheilagh! (I didn't write this email with you in mind :))
As always, thanks so much to your devotion to our community!

MANDY COOK | NEWS EDITOR
Marketing & Communications



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-----Original Message-----

From: Sheilagh O'Leary [mailto:SOLeary@stjohns.ca]
Sent: Tuesday, April 12, 2016 9:41 AM
To: Cook, Mandy
Subject: Re: Bryn Mawr

Mandy,

I will emphatically support Bryn Mawr's St. John's City heritage designation and oppose its demolition. Further to this, I fully plan to advocate that the City adopts regulations that continue to support heritage conservation/celebration moving forward, Thank you for your email.

Cheers

Sheilagh

Ward 4 Councillor

Sent from my iPhone

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> Sent from my iPhone



Re: Heritage conservation
Sheilagh O'Leary to: bwsmithbren

2016/04/12 09:49 AM

Brenda and Wayne,

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Cheers
Sheilagh
Ward 4 Councillor

Sent from my iPhone

> On Apr 12, 2016, at 9:04 AM, [REDACTED] wrote:

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> Please, please respect the built heritage of our city! So much has been lost already. Every effort must be made to protect our remaining historic structures. Please do not approve the demolition of Bryn Maur.

> We travel to Europe and Latin America and there we see the high level of commitment to retaining and restoring heritage buildings.

> The character of St. John's relies on preservation of its historic buildings. We must do better than we have in the past!

> Thank you

> Brenda and Wayne Smith

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> Sent from my iPhone

Re: CD - Notice of Motion re: 154 New C...(R2016-04-11/14) requires your response. 

Jason Sinyard to: Kathy Driscoll

2016/04/12 09:50 AM

Cc: Arthur MacDonald, Cheryl L Mullett, Ken O'Brien

Cheryl am I correct that you are drafting the letter to the owner?

Jason

Jason Sinyard, P.Eng., MBA
Deputy City Manager
Planning, Development & Engineering
City of St. John's

Kathy Driscoll

Please respond to the Council Directive as soon...

2016/04/12 09:30:26 AM

From: Kathy Driscoll/CSJ
To: Jason Sinyard/CSJ@CSJ
Cc: Sheilagh O'Leary/CSJ@CSJ, Arthur MacDonald/CSJ@CSJ, Ken O'Brien/CSJ@CSJ, Cheryl L Mullett/CSJ@CSJ
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RE:Notice of Motion re: 154 New Cove Road



Re: CD - Notice of Motion re: 154 New C...(R2016-04-11/14) requires your response. 

Cheryl L Mullett to: Jason Sinyard

2016/04/12 09:56 AM

Cc: Kathy Driscoll, Arthur MacDonald, Ken O'Brien

Yes.

Cheryl L. Mullett
City Solicitor
City of St. John's

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Jason Sinyard

[Cheryl am I correct that you are drafting the lette...](#)

2016/04/12 09:50:32 AM

From: Jason Sinyard/CSJ
To: Kathy Driscoll/CSJ@CSJ
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2016/04/12 09:30:26 AM



Media Headlines - April 12, 2016

Kelly Maguire to: Council_group, Executives, Directors, Cindy McGrath, Ken O'Brien, Janet Adams, Strategy & Engagement

2016/04/12 09:59 AM



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TELEGRAM - St. John's looking for outside advice on wage freeze

DANIEL MACEACHERN

St. John's city council deferred a vote Monday on freezing management wages while it looks for outside legal advice.

Coun. Jonathan Galgay served notice of motion last week to introduce a two-year wage freeze on all non-union and management staff as well as councillors. But at Monday's regular council meeting, Galgay withdrew the motion and said it would be brought back at a future meeting, after the city's own legal counsel noted it would be a conflict of interest for city staff to make recommendations on freezing their own wages.

"When a motion is provided, staff then have to go back and provide details, implementation, the effects of it and so on and so forth," said Galgay after Monday's meeting. "The city solicitor (Cheryl Mullett) indicated that she herself is in a conflict of interest, as (are) all management and senior managers, so therefore it was recommended that we go to an outside solicitor to take on this file and provide council with advice and direction on a notice of motion."

Galgay said the city hopes to have a "quick turnaround" – about two weeks – on recommendations after the outside law firm is contacted.

During the meeting, Galgay noted his wage-freeze plan was not meant as a reflection of work done by city staff. Asked if he'd taken criticism from employees after he announced the motion, Galgay said he hadn't.

"I haven't spoken to any management about it. I haven't had any discussions," he said. "But when we did a program review, I emphasized the fact along the process, especially with the unions, that it's not an easy process to undertake, and I just wanted to put it back out there that it is a difficult time for the city, and they're very tough decisions that we have to make, but it's a stark reality of the economic times that we're faced with."

Galgay declined to say who would be asked to review the wage freeze plan, but said it's an individual with expertise in the area. "But I can let you know once we make contact and they've verified that they're willing to take on the file."

TELEGRAM - St. John's considering heritage status for Bryn Mawr

DANIEL MACEACHERN

"Part of the issue of a possible designation of a heritage property is to enable an owner to enter into a discussion with the city about whether or not they agree, they disagree or anything like that, and there's actually a 30-day period that the owner has to respond to that." Coun. Sheilagh

O'Leary

The City of St. John's plans to inform the owners of a historic building that it may seek heritage status for the property to stave off demolition.

"Certainly we've heard a great outcry from the community about the heritage preservation in general in our city, but in particular, obviously, this particular 154 New Cove Rd. because it has great historical significance, but we want to make sure that we dot our I's and cross our T's."

City council Monday night voted to inform the owners of the Bryn Mawr property on New Cove Road of the possibility for heritage status, after which the owners – who have applied to have the home demolished – will have 30 days to respond.

Coun. Sheilagh O'Leary had intended to ask council to vote on heritage status next week, but amended her motion to allow the required length of time and for recommendations on the property to come back from city's heritage committee, expected next week.

"Part of the issue of a possible designation of a heritage property is to enable an owner to enter into a discussion with the city about whether or not they agree, they disagree or anything like that, and there's actually a 30-day period that the owner has to respond to that," said O'Leary after council's regular meeting Monday evening.

Council would still have to vote on whether to seek heritage designation for the property, which was built in 1907, even if the owner isn't interested – a step council has been loath to take recently; last-ditch attempts to designate Salvation Army buildings on Springdale Street downtown and Quinipiac on Winter Avenue failed, and the properties have since been destroyed.

O'Leary said she thinks attitudes towards preserving heritage properties are changing, and she hopes council adopts policies – such as tax incentives for owners – that will make preservation more of a priority, while balancing owners' needs with heritage needs.

"I think the climate is really changing," she said. "I think people have had enough. I think, really, we've seen so many significant properties come down, and the public are getting angrier and angrier about this. What puts this on the map is that we are the oldest city in North America. It makes sense to us economically, and there's so many models out there of successful municipalities and locations across North America that have engaged in a really strong economic plan to preserve the heritage that is really a benefit to the whole community."

Coun. Tom Hann said the city needs stronger heritage rules, including how properties are designated, so the city isn't continually finding itself handling the issue in the shadow of a wrecking ball.

"We need some very hard and fast rules to be able to deal with the whole issue in the future, because it's been problematic up to this point," he said.

TELEGRAM - LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Sunshine list lacks pertinent detail

Yes, let's debate the appropriate salary for the president of Memorial University, but let's not focus on the individual who holds the position.

Much is being made of The Telegram's sunshine list project. Who would disagree that government needs to be more open and transparent when it comes to spending taxpayers' dollars?

The Newfoundland and Labrador Federation of Labour welcomes more information on workers'

wages and benefits, as it helps us address many of the broader issues around creating an economy that works for everyone and is fair. However, we need to be aware of the serious shortcomings of this ad hoc list as presented by The Telegram.

Most notably, such a list ignores a large part of government spending that benefits private corporations. Very recently, the Newfoundland and Labrador Association of Public and Private Employees (NAPE) had no luck getting access to three private contracts signed by Eastern Health using taxpayer money. A true sunshine list should shine a light on all private contracts. Then we could better gauge if we are getting good value for our money.

The current sunshine list needs to be challenged for privacy invasion. To highlight names is to suggest compensation is a problem with the individual. Someone in a management position determined or negotiated what a fair wage was. Yes, let's debate the appropriate salary for the president of Memorial University, but let's not focus on the individual who holds the position.

A unionized worker is paid for the job they do, not because of who they are. In a union environment, a collective agreement lays out the jobs in the workplace and the compensation that each classification can expect over a certain time period. Collective agreements publish negotiated wages for all to see. If one worker is earning more, then we need to look at the issue of overtime and creating workloads that are realistic.

Let's discuss the inappropriateness of the City of St. John's laying off 48 workers, and then suggesting they will use overtime to deal with the increased workloads. The Canadian Union of Postal Workers held a protest last week because they were being forced to work hours and hours of overtime. These workers simply want the guaranteed right to an eighthour work day. Workers know excessive overtime poses health and safety concerns.

In a province with high unemployment, especially amongst young people, we should be able to make the case for hiring more workers. A true sunshine list should help here.

Decent public sector wages and benefits help stabilize our economy, especially in an economic downturn. Let's ensure that every citizen of this province has the ability to work for a living wage and decent benefits. We remember all too well when the Progressive Conservative government in Ontario, under Mike Harris, produced a similar list in an attempt to undermine the public service.

We should not allow the current sunshine list to distract us from the real issue facing our government, in ensuring all Newfoundlanders get access to the public services –health care, education, policing, decent roads, etc. – that they deserve. The salaries of the public sector did not cause the deficit. The problem is lack of government revenue.

Let's shine a light on past tax cuts which chiefly benefited high-income earners while taking hundreds of millions of dollars out of the public treasury. Why does Newfoundland and Labrador have the lowest personal income taxes in all of Atlantic Canada? Let's look at increasing our low corporate tax rates.

It should be clear that we need a fairer, more progressive taxation system, which collects more revenue from those who earn \$100,000 and does more to ensure we are able to address important social issues such as poverty reduction.

A true sunshine list should help us identify wage inequality and income gaps in our society. A true list would help us identify health and safety and other employment issues that have a negative impact on workers. A proper sunshine list would help improve and address such issues as the need for higher minimum wage and an economy where workers can secure good wages and benefits.

Mary Shortall, president Newfoundland and Labrador Federation of Labour St. John's

CBC East Coast Morning Show - Tue, April 12, 2016

PEOPLE USING PARKING LOT TO AVOID INTERSECTION: Don't expect any major changes anytime soon at a busy intersection near the Avalon Mall. Ward Pike was on the show yesterday and he suggested that a roundabout go in where Kenmount Road turns into Freshwater Road and Thorburn Road. ["Danny Breen", Chair of Public Works Committee]

CBC 7am News - Tue, April 12, 2016

WAGE FREEZE PROPOSAL TO BE REVIEWED BY OUTSIDE ENTITY: A wage freeze at St. John's City Hall has been deferred, for now. ["Jonathan Galgay", St. John's City Councillor]

COUNCILLOR WANTS BAIRD COTTAGE TO RECEIVE HERITAGE STATUS: A St. John's City Councillor wants Baird Cottage given Heritage status. ["Sheilagh O'Leary", St. John's City Councillor]

CBC 8am News - Tue, April 12, 2016

WAGE FREEZE PROPOSAL TO UNDERGO EXTERNAL LEGAL REVIEW: A proposed wage freeze at St. John's City Council has stalled. ["Jonathan Galgay", St. John's City Councillor]

HERITAGE STATUS CONSIDERED FOR BAIRD COTTAGE: The City of St. John's is considering Heritage status for a century-old home that the owner wants to demolish.

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VOCM Morning News - Tue, April 12, 2016

ST. JOHN'S CITY COUNCIL WANTS TO SAVE BRYN MAWR PROPERTY: City council is moving to protect a historic home in danger of demolition, and trying to see how they can continue to do so going forward.

Media Headlines - April 11, 2016

OVERCAST - New Spot, "Element Coffee Bar and Lounge" Coming to Town

There is no proposed opening date yet, but city council has officially approved "Element Coffee Bar and Lounge" to move into 516 Topsail Road. That address is the multi-storefront building behind Burger King on Topsail Rd.

<http://theovercast.ca/new-spot-element-coffee-bar-and-lounge-coming-to-town/>

CBC East Coast Morning Show - Mon, April 11, 2016

PEOPLE USING PARKING LOT TO AVOID INTERSECTION: The intersection where

Kenmount Road turns into Freshwater Water and there is a set of lights because of the traffic coming down Thorburn Road. A lot of people do something at this intersection that they should be doing which is using a parking lot to get through the intersection and to get around it. ["Ward Pike", Resident]

VOCM Morning Show - Mon, April 11, 2016

CONCERNS FOR DOWNTOWN ST. JOHN'S: A perfect storm may be brewing for businesses in downtown St. John's. An increase in property taxes, now Suncor and the English School District plan to move their offices out of downtown. ["Des Whalen", St. John's Board of Trade Chair]

VOCM 1pm News - Mon, April 11, 2016

MOTION DELAYED: A motion to freeze the salaries of senior management and the city council in St. John's is going to be delayed.

VOCM Back Talk - Mon, April 11, 2016

MEETING ABOUT COYOTES: "Sheilagh O'Leary", St. John's City Councillor is calling to talk about an upcoming meeting in the Airport Heights area about coyote sightings. It is being held this Thursday from 7 to 9 at the Roncalli cafeteria and there will be Wildlife Officers as well as Professor Alister Babb doing presentations. She invites residents of the area to come out and hear all about it.

NTV Evening Newshour - Mon, April 11, 2016

ST. JOHN'S CITY COUNCIL REACHES OUT TO BAY DE VERDE: The City of St. John's is offering support to the community of Bay de Verde tonight as it picks up the pieces after today's devastating fish plant fire. ["Jonathan Galgay", St. John's City Councillor]

VOCM Night Line - Mon, April 11, 2016

MUNICIPAL MONDAY/FIRE: Host preamble. It's Municipal Monday and Jonathan has special guests "Gavin Will", Deputy Mayor of Torbay and "Dave Lane", St. John's City Councillor in the studio. They discuss the situation in Bay de Verde after the devastating fire of the day and the dedication of the firefighters who put so much effort into fighting the blaze. Fortunately there was no loss of life there today but there are still many people out of their homes tonight.

CITY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA: Councillor "Dave Lane" talks about the City council meeting this evening and some of the issues discussed there including the review of wages, the great staff they have and the implications of the review being undertaken.

CBC - Proposed wage freeze at St. John's City Hall stalls

Conflict of interest has put the proposed wage freeze on hold, says Coun. Jonathan Galgay. St. John's Councillor Jonathan Galgay says his proposed wage freeze on all management, non-union staff and members of council is on hold due to a conflict of interest.

After Monday's council meeting, Galgay insisted he hasn't changed his mind about the wage freeze.

He said the delay is necessary because employees involved in making recommendations were in a direct conflict.

<http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/newfoundland-labrador/stjohns-wage-freeze-deferred-jonathan-galgay-1.3530745>

VOCM - Board of Trade Looking to Attract Businesses to Downtown

Monday, April 11 2016 | 2:35:30 PM

The St. John's Board of Trade is focusing on some of the positive initiatives underway that will draw more business to the down area.

President Des Whelan was responding to recent concerns about a number of businesses and offices that are moving out of the downtown, including the English School District and Suncor.

<http://www.vocm.com/newsarticle.asp?mn=2&id=61830&latest=1>



Fw: Access to information request - 154 New Cove Road
City Clerk and Council to: Karen Chafe
Sent by: **Elaine Henley**

2016/04/12 10:22 AM

History: This message has been forwarded.

Hi Karen:

Can you have one of the LA's look after this request.

Thanks
Elaine

----- Forwarded by Elaine Henley/CSJ on 2016/04/12 10:22 AM -----



Cc: Jason Sinyard <JSinyard@stjohns.ca>, Karen Chafe <KChafe@stjohns.ca>
Date: 2016/04/11 02:31 PM
Subject: Access to information request - 154 New Cove Road

Dear Miss Henley,

Attached please find my formal request for information relating to 154 New Cove Road (Bryn Mawr).

Please confirm receipt of this email.

Thank you, 



ACCESS REQUEST RE BRYN MAWR - APRIL 11, 2016.pdf

Please get in touch anytime!

Dave

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Dave Lane

Councillor at Large, St. John's

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On Mar 19, 2016, at 10:59, Michael Holden <[REDACTED]> wrote:

Hi Dave,

Long time no hear!

I have been following the explosion of comments on social media about the mayor and the city council and its actions regarding Richmond Cottage.

I really hope that you are the one now that sees the huge importance of these decisions and that you will protect and save the city's heritage as you wrote in your column/ editorial. I fully agree that we need to save this property.

The current city council needs to be taught a lesson for their past actions. There has been way too many mistakes! You have the feeling that the majority of the councilor's could care less about what makes the city special. As I said in past emails after the Quinnipiac fiasco, they live out in the cookie cutter suburbs and have no idea about architecture or heritage, and don't want to know. It's like they all need a crash course in what other world cities are doing to protect their 'special' heritage.

I want you to take a look at these photos below and use these as examples of how to protect and preserve a city's heritage (and there is not one single North American city on here)

Lucerne, Switzerland

<https://www.google.ch/search?q=old+town+lucerne&espv=2&biw=1280&bih=923&tbm=isch&bo=u&source=univ&sa=X&ved=0ahUKEwi697Sc68zLAhXBqA4KHUGxCK8QsAQILw>

Colmar, France

<http://www.bing.com/images/search?q=old%20town%20colmar&qs=n&form=QBIR&pg=old%20town%20colmar&sc=0-11&sp=-1&sk=>

Bruges, Belgium

<http://www.bing.com/images/search?q=old%20town%20bruges&qs=n&form=QBIR&pg=old%20town%20bruges&sc=0-12&sp=-1&sk=>

Rothenburg, Germany

<https://www.google.ch/search?q=old+town+lucerne&espv=2&biw=1280&bih=923&tbm=isch&bo=u&source=univ&sa=X&ved=0ahUKEwi697Sc68zLAhXBqA4KHUGxCK8QsAQILw#tbn=isch&q=old+town+rothenburg>

Bath, United Kingdom

<https://www.google.ch/search?q=old+town+lucerne&espv=2&biw=1280&bih=923&tbm=isch&bo=u&source=univ&sa=X&ved=0ahUKEwi697Sc68zLAhXBqA4KHUGxCK8QsAQILw#tbm=isch&q=city+of+bath+england>

Cantebury, United Kingdom

<https://www.google.ch/search?q=old+town+lucerne&espv=2&biw=1280&bih=923&tbm=isch&bo=u&source=univ&sa=X&ved=0ahUKEwi697Sc68zLAhXBqA4KHUGxCK8QsAQILw#tbm=isch&q=cantebury+england>

Adare, Ireland

<https://www.google.ch/search?q=old+town+lucerne&espv=2&biw=1280&bih=923&tbm=isch&bo=u&source=univ&sa=X&ved=0ahUKEwi697Sc68zLAhXBqA4KHUGxCK8QsAQILw#tbm=isch&q=adare+ireland>

Looking forward to hearing back from you
Greetings from Sunny Lucerne
Michael

From: Dave Lane [<mailto:dlane@stjohns.ca>]
Sent: Monday, April 13, 2015 1:04 PM
To: Michael Holden
Cc: Bill Stoyles
Subject: Re: What's next after Quunpiac?

Hi Michael,

This is a very cool idea :) It would be interesting to explore. I'm going to forward it along to the City Manager and Clerk to see what the possibilities are...

Cheers,
Dave

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Dave Lane
Councillor at Large, St. John's
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www.twitter.com/DaveLaneTweets

On Apr 8, 2015, at 4:02 PM, Michael Holden [REDACTED] wrote:
Hi Dave,

One more question – if I was to plan a Heritage tour of say the UK and Ireland where certain councilors would come and see cities where heritage is everything and meet local planners, etc. I am pretty sure we could get all ground elements covered and paid for and it would only be flight tickets to take care of, do you think you and other councilors would be interested (maybe even city staff to go). I guess this would be a learning tour where the city would be learning about how other places organize and protect their heritage. I already have the contacts and I know this is something worthwhile and could get off the ground.

Let me know

Michael

From: Michael Holden
Sent: Wednesday, April 08, 2015 8:26 PM
To: 'Dave Lane'
Subject: RE: What's next after Qunnipiac?

Hi Dave,
Hope you had a great time in Chicago!

Just a quick question – have you ever been to Europe? Have any of the council ever been to Europe? If so where have you been? Where have the others been? Are they more Florida/Dom reps vacationers? Has there ever been a study comparing St. John's to any other heritage city? This could be a project for university Students/Post –grads who could tackle our issues, make the comparison and then make a report of their findings. It doesn't have to cost a fortune either.

Cheers
Michael

From: Dave Lane [<mailto:dlane@stjohns.ca>]
Sent: Monday, April 06, 2015 12:35 AM
To: Stoyles, Bill
Cc: Michael Holden
Subject: Re: What's next after Qunnipiac?

Great points, Bill. I'm working to make sure our inventory project does more than just list properties. It should inform policy, and I think we're on track to request that from whomever writes it.

Dave

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On Mar 31, 2015, at 7:53 AM, Stoyles, Bill [REDACTED] > wrote:

Hi again,

It might be mutually beneficial if we could ascertain what measures are used in more "advanced" regions to preserve and protect significant properties.

An inventory certainly makes sense but unless there is an affordable, common sense manner in this whole process, it will be undermined by interest groups and developers.

How have they managed to deal with this reality in other places renowned for their preservation of history?

Tks

From: Michael Holden [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2015 9:29 AM
To: Dave Lane
Cc: Stoyles, Bill
Subject: RE: What's next after Qunnipiac?

Hi Dave,

I think your 'voluntarily' comment hits the nail on the head. The actions of the mayor and council has just sent a strong message to any property owner/developer in St. John's, if a heritage designation is being recommended, the property owner/developer has way more power and legal rights than the council. I know the incentives may work for some, but it still means that anyone can buy a property and if doesn't have heritage status than it can easily be torn down regardless of what the heritage council and the city council say. Is the council willing to grant heritage status to property owners if they completely refuse? This is the root of the problem and not how it's done in beautifully, preserved old cities all over Europe. St. John's should be looking at these places as case studies and seeing how these places are keeping everything preserved. And it's done because the tourists are coming in droves along with all their tourism dollars. It just makes economic sense for the city to do this.

Thanks

Michael

From: Dave Lane [<mailto:dlane@stjohns.ca>]
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2015 1:40 PM
To: Michael Holden
Cc: Stoyles, Bill
Subject: Re: What's next after Qunnipiac?

Hi Michael,

An inventory is just a list of properties with significant stories and architecture. In fact, we already have a couple of them in existence (created 1977 and 2003, among others). If I were to be more accurate in the interview I would have said "updated" inventory (which is how the

motion was worded in Council).

It's not a list of properties that are designated or "protected" in some way (though many of them are already, and this will be noted). It's a list of properties that are worth looking at.

To answer the "what then," the next step is to see if there are owners of those properties who want to ***voluntarily*** go through the process of designation. It's for the owners who feel designation would enhance their property value or help them receive funding from other organizations or governments.

The step after that is to say to Council: Look at all these people who (**voluntarily**) want designation. We should do something to help these people achieve their objectives. And I've said in pretty well all of my interviews that this doesn't have to be financial support. Sometimes it's a matter of granting common sense leeway on some by-laws; providing expert guidance about cheaper materials or low-cost restoration techniques; or just celebrating the property to help increase its value.

The bottom line is this, Michael: This is NOT about forcing anyone to do anything. This is about being proactive so that we are managing our shared heritage reasonably, responsibly, and in partnership (rather than opposition to) our residents and property owners.

We can't (and shouldn't) protect everything, but we need this inventory to figure out our priorities and opportunities. The flare up over 25 Winter Avenue could have been avoided, and knowing the lay of the land and our options to collaborate is the best way to avoid it in future.

I hope this clarifies my position. Please stay in touch!

Cheers,
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On Mar 30, 2015, at 5:08 AM, Michael Holden <

██████████ wrote:

Hi Dave,

I just watched your interview on 'On Point.' Based on your comments, I think you, the mayor and the rest of the council are setting yourselves up for disaster again. Regarding taking an inventory - what then? Every private owner will fight it tooth and nail as they think their property value goes down. They will all threaten to sue the city. Based on the actions of the council, what is to stop them? All anyone has to say is 'you'll get a call from my lawyer and then the permit to demolish from the city will be issued due to the fear of being sued! I think the fundamentals of the heritage laws/rules have to change completely. The mayor and council should be able to make a 'heritage' decision without this threat. Why can't the people of Newfoundland and Labrador sue the city for a loss of a cultural heirloom never to be regained? If you look at this independently, without the threat of being sued, what would have the outcome been? Just using common sense, the council and mayor should have stood up and said collectively, this is a property that must be protected for the good of the people and for the good of the city. Just because one private owner now wants a modern house in the city center, we all have to suffer because of it. They should wait for Dannyland to be up and running and buy a big piece of land out there! I have a friend writing to UNESCO in Geneva to showcase this travesty. Let's see how far this goes! Looking forward to seeing the turnout on Tuesday night!

Cheers

Michael



Fw: CD R2016-04-11/14 - Notice of Motion re: 154 New Cove Road

Ken O'Brien to: Sylvester Crocker, Peter Mercer
Cc: Arthur MacDonald

2016/04/12 12:41 PM

For your info. Council waived the waiting period for a notice of motion and voted in favour of the motion. The final wording of the motion was different from what was in the Council agenda.

The City Solicitor is writing the property owner about possible heritage designation.

Ken

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Date: 2016/04/12 09:30 AM
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RE: Notice of Motion re: 154 New Cove Road



New ATIPP File # - PB/275/2016

Howell, Brenda J. to: Kanessa Cutler (kcutler@stjohns.ca)

Cc: Elaine Henley

2016/04/12 12:56 PM

Hi Kanessa:

I just entered your ATIPP request in TRIM and the following is your file number:

PB/275/2016 – “All materials in the City’s possession re: 154 New Cove Road. Including committee materials.”

ADVISORY RESPONSE DATE: 4/26/2016

DUE DATE: 5/10/2016

Have a great day...

Brenda

Brenda Howell

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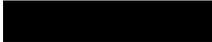
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On Apr 11, 2016, at 11:56, Jerry Dick <jerry@heritagefoundation.ca> wrote:

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Dave

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On Apr 9, 2016, at 8:28 PM, Dave Lane <dlane@stjohns.ca> wrote:

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On Apr 6, 2016, at 09:25, Jerry Dick <jerry@heritagefoundation.ca> wrote:

Hi Dave:

I could meet first thing on Thursday morning if you were available. How about 8:30 at Starbucks 351 Water? I can fill you in on some broader discussions we are having with the Trust and the city on longer term strategies to encourage the adaptive reuse of heritage buildings.

Jerry

On Apr 3, 2016, at 9:38 AM, Dave Lane <dlane@stjohns.ca> wrote:

Hey Jerry!

Great to hear from you, and congratulations on the new role! I was speaking with George on Thursday and he informed me. You're perfectly suited for it, and I'm happy to see you there :)

Tomorrow at 3pm is the same time as Council's weekly special meeting unfortunately, though I'd like to be there. Can we try for Tuesday at 3pm downtown? Otherwise we could try Thursday morning?

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In the meantime, Bryn Mawr has emerged as an issue as you know. On Monday at 3:00 I am hoping to meet with the NHT and the city's new heritage planner, Arthur here at the Foundation. Feel free to join us if you like. I want to try to find some constructive avenues that will allow us, ideally, to move from a reactionary to a pro-active position with respect to saving and adaptively reusing significant heritage structures.

I look forward to connecting again.

Cheers,

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2016/04/12 06:10 PM

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Re: Richmond Cottage and Bryn Mawr
Dave Lane to: Michael Holden

2016/04/12 06:28 PM

Hi Michael,

Great to hear from you! Weather is indeed improving, which is a treat.

The developers are locals, and I'm pretty frustrated with how they're handling the Richmond Cottage situation so I've setup a call with them this week. If I don't get satisfaction, we can talk about fighting back, but meantime I'm giving the benefit of the doubt and negotiating in good faith.

Stay tuned,
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On Apr 12, 2016, at 12:20, Michael Holden <[REDACTED]> wrote:

Hi Dave,

Greetings from Lucerne! Heard the weather is getting better back in St. John's? Here it's spring for sure with sun and warm temperatures.

Again, I am disgusted that the same developer of the Richmond Cottage fiasco is even considering to demolish Bryn Mawr. Everything now about both issues in the media is about the city council and there is nothing about the Wrightland Development Corporation. I googled it but I didn't find much on line. Can you send me the details of these developers? Names, where they are located, owner, members of their board. Are they Newfoundlanders or are they mainlanders? I think getting these people out in the media and shaming them is also a very powerful tool as to getting them to stop all this nonsense. The quicker the better.

I also have a major contact in the UK who is the Minister responsible for the Commonwealth and he may get on board in speaking out against these travesties especially because they were built when we were part of the British empire.

Have we found anyone interested in Richmond Cottage at all?
Thanks
Michael

From: Dave Lane [<mailto:dlane@stjohns.ca>]
Sent: Sunday, March 20, 2016 3:20 PM
To: Michael Holden
Cc: Bill Stoyles; Sheilagh O'Leary
Subject: Re: Richmond Cottage

Hi Michael,

Thanks a lot for getting in touch and for sharing these galleries!

I'm hopeful we've learned at least a couple of lessons here, but ultimately those lessons have to be written into policy. The good news is that our new Heritage Planner, whom Coun. O'Leary referred to, is working on a set of comprehensive policies that I believe will do wonders to give clarity and direction to how we preserve, protect, and manage our built heritage.

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On Mar 19, 2016, at 10:59, Michael Holden [REDACTED] > wrote:

Hi Dave,

Long time no hear!

I have been following the explosion of comments on social media about the mayor and the city council and its actions regarding Richmond Cottage.

I really hope that you are the one now that sees the huge importance of these decisions and that you will protect and save the city's heritage as you wrote in your column/editorial. I fully agree that we need to save this property.

The current city council needs to be taught a lesson for their past actions. There has been way too many mistakes! You have the feeling that the majority of the councilor's could care less about what makes the city special. As I said in past emails after the

Quinnipiac fiasco, they live out in the cookie cutter suburbs and have no idea about architecture or heritage, and don't want to know. It's like they all need a crash course in what other world cities are doing to protect their 'special' heritage.

I want you to take a look at these photos below and use these as examples of how to protect and preserve a city's heritage (and there is not one single North American city on here)

Lucerne, Switzerland

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Looking forward to hearing back from you
Greetings from Sunny Lucerne
Michael

From: Dave Lane [<mailto:dlane@stjohns.ca>]

Sent: Monday, April 13, 2015 1:04 PM
To: Michael Holden
Cc: Bill Stoyles
Subject: Re: What's next after Qunnipiac?

Hi Michael,

This is a very cool idea :) It would be interesting to explore. I'm going to forward it along to the City Manager and Clerk to see what the possibilities are...

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On Apr 8, 2015, at 4:02 PM, Michael Holden <[REDACTED]> wrote:

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One more question – if I was to plan a Heritage tour of say the UK and Ireland where certain councilors would come and see cities where heritage is everything and meet local planners, etc. I am pretty sure we could get all ground elements covered and paid for and it would only be flight tickets to take care of, do you think you and other councilors would be interested (maybe even city staff to go). I guess this would be a learning tour where the city would be learning about how other places organize and protect their heritage. I already have the contacts and I know this is something worthwhile and could get off the ground.

Let me know

Michael

From: Michael Holden
Sent: Wednesday, April 08, 2015 8:26 PM
To: 'Dave Lane'
Subject: RE: What's next after Qunnipiac?

Hi Dave,

Hope you had a great time in Chicago!

Just a quick question – have you ever been to Europe? Have any of the council ever been to Europe? If so where have you been? Where have the others been? Are they more Florida/Dom reps vacationers? Has there ever been a study comparing St. John's to any other heritage city? This could be a project for

university Students/Post –grads who could tackle our issues, make the comparison and then make a report of their findings. It doesn't have to cost a fortune either.

Cheers
Michael

From: Dave Lane [<mailto:dlane@stjohns.ca>]
Sent: Monday, April 06, 2015 12:35 AM
To: Stoyles, Bill
Cc: Michael Holden
Subject: Re: What's next after Qunnipiac?

Great points, Bill. I'm working to make sure our inventory project does more than just list properties. It should inform policy, and I think we're on track to request that from whomever writes it.

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On Mar 31, 2015, at 7:53 AM, Stoyles, Bill [REDACTED] wrote:

Hi again,

It might be mutually beneficial if we could ascertain what measures are used in more "advanced" regions to preserve and protect significant properties.

An inventory certainly makes sense but unless there is an affordable, common sense manner in this whole process, it will be undermined by interest groups and developers.

How have they managed to deal with this reality in other places renowned for their preservation of history?

Tks

From: Michael Holden [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2015 9:29 AM
To: Dave Lane
Cc: Stoyles, Bill
Subject: RE: What's next after Qunnipiac?

Hi Dave,

I think your 'voluntarily' comment hits the nail on the head. The actions of the mayor and council has just sent a strong message to any property owner/developer in St. John's, if a heritage designation is being recommended, the property owner/developer has way more power and legal rights than the council. I know the incentives may work for some, but it still means that anyone can buy a property and if doesn't have heritage status than it can easily be torn down regardless of what the heritage council and the city council say. Is the council willing to grant heritage status to property owners if they completely refuse? This is the root of the problem and not how it's done in beautifully, preserved old cities all over Europe. St. John's should be looking at these places as case studies and seeing how these places are keeping everything preserved. And it's done because the tourists are coming in droves along with all their tourism dollars. It just makes economic sense for the city to do this.

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Hi Michael,

An inventory is just a list of properties with significant stories and architecture. In fact, we already have a couple of them in existence (created 1977 and 2003, among others). If I were to be more accurate in the interview I would have said "updated" inventory (which is how the motion was worded in Council).

It's not a list of properties that are designated or "protected" in some way (though many of them are already, and this will be noted). It's a list of properties that are worth looking at.

To answer the "what then," the next step is to see if there are owners of those properties who want to ***voluntarily*** go through the process of designation. It's for the owners who feel designation would enhance their property value or help them receive funding from other organizations or governments.

The step after that is to say to Council: Look at all these people who (**voluntarily**) want designation. We should do something to help these people achieve their objectives. And I've said in pretty well all of my interviews that this doesn't have to be financial support. Sometimes it's a matter of granting common sense leeway

on some by-laws; providing expert guidance about cheaper materials or low-cost restoration techniques; or just celebrating the property to help increase its value.

The bottom line is this, Michael: This is NOT about forcing anyone to do anything. This is about being proactive so that we are managing our shared heritage reasonably, responsibly, and in partnership (rather than opposition to) our residents and property owners.

We can't (and shouldn't) protect everything, but we need this inventory to figure out our priorities and opportunities. The flare up over 25 Winter Avenue could have been avoided, and knowing the lay of the land and our options to collaborate is the best way to avoid it in future.

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for a loss of a cultural heirloom never to be regained? If you look at this independently, without the threat of being sued, what would have the outcome been? Just using common sense, the council and mayor should have stood up and said collectively, this is a property that must be protected for the good of the people and for the good of the city. Just because one private owner now wants a modern house in the city center, we all have to suffer because of it. They should wait for Dannyland to be up and running and buy a big piece of land out there! I have a friend writing to UNESCO in Geneva to showcase this travesty. Let's see how far this goes!

Looking forward to seeing the turnout on Tuesday night!

Cheers

Michael



Re: Bryn Mawr
Dennis O'Keefe to: Lesley Bautista

2016/04/12 09:31 PM

Lesley

Thanks! I will take your concerns into consideration !

Sent from my iPhone

> On Apr 10, 2016, at 10:15 PM, Lesley Bautista <[REDACTED]>:

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> Dear Mayor O'Keefe,

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> I am emailing you to please consider voting against the the demolition of Bryn Mawr. This house is a beautiful heritage property that should be preserved and restored rather than demolished. This property and other heritage properties give our city character. There is no reason that a rich developer cannot incorporate and restore these historic properties rather than destroy them. I urge you to consider more money when voting regarding these properties.

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> Please look at examples of properties that have been restored very successfully such as Mallard Cottage and at other historic cities, such as Charleston, SC that have laws to protect their historic architecture. Once these properties are destroyed, we cannot re-build them. I urge you to stand up for the heritage of our beautiful city and look at the longterm effects of your decision on this matter. Apartment buildings, personal care homes, condos, and supermarkets can be found in any North American city.

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> Thank you for your time,

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> Lesley Bautista

> Ward 4



Re: Baird's Cottage and Richmond Hill
Sheilagh O'Leary to: Frank Puddister

2016/04/12 11:03 PM

Rev. Puddister,

Thank you for your email and lovely to meet you the other day.

I will emphatically support Bryn Mawr's St. John's City heritage designation and oppose its demolition.

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In my opinion, incentives such as heritage grants are good, however, I hope we can explore tax incentives for such properties. This requires an amendment to the St. John's City Act and though a cumbersome process, is something I feel we should pursue.

There are recommendations coming forward from the Heritage Experts Panel on the 19th so we'll have a clearer picture then I hope.

Thank you for your email.

Cheers

Sheilagh

Ward 4 Councillor

Sent from my iPhone

On Apr 12, 2016, at 10:44 PM, Frank Puddister [REDACTED] wrote:

Dear Councillors,

I was very disappointed to see "Quinnipiac" on Winter Avenue quickly demolished some time ago, and now the issue of Baird's Cottage has arisen.

I hope you will use the powers of the city council to preserve this heritage home on Portugal Cove Road. Baird's Cottage is a prominent and attractive landmark in this neighbourhood, and a reminder of the rural area this once was with farms and country homes of residents of St. John's.

Also, I see that Richmond Hill, a mid-nineteenth century residence in the west end, might be in danger.

City council should have a strong and clear policy of heritage preservation, so that we are not faced every year or so with the imminent destruction of one of our beautiful, historic homes.

The natural setting of our city is much enhanced by many beautiful and architecturally

significant homes and public buildings. Other cities in Europe and the Americas go to great lengths to preserve their built heritage. I am sure you are aware of the value of our built heritage in attracting visitors to St. John's.

Thank you and best wishes.

Rev. Frank Puddister



St. John's



Re: Fw: ATIPP request - 154 New Cove Road 
Aggi Westcott to: Kenessa Cutler
Cc: Jason Sinyard, Ken O'Brien, Sylvester Crocker

2016/04/13 10:22 AM

Hi Kenessa,

Information on the above noted property is in the following folder:

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Aggi Westcott
Manager - Administrative Services
Department of Planning, Development and Engineering
Tel: (709) 576-8379
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Kenessa Cutler

Forgot you Aggi! Sorry :) Kenessa Cutler

2016/04/12 11:42:52 AM

From: Kenessa Cutler/CSJ
To: Aggi Westcott/CSJ@CSJ
Date: 2016/04/12 11:42 AM
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From: Kenessa Cutler/CSJ
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Cc: Ken O'Brien/CSJ@CSJ, Sylvester Crocker/CSJ@CSJ
Date: 2016/04/12 11:36 AM
Subject: ATIPP request - 154 New Cove Road

Hi Jason, please see the attached re: the above listed.

I'll gather the Committee related materials, but if there's anything else related to Baird's Cottage please send along.

Thank you!

[attachment "Staff Memo.doc" deleted by Aggi Westcott/CSJ]

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Kelly Maguire to: Council_group, Executives, Directors, Cindy McGrath, Ken O'Brien, Janet Adams, Strategy & Engagement

2016/04/13 10:31 AM



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TELEGRAM - City signals support

St. John's offers assistance, advice to Bay de Verde in fire's aftermath

BY DANIEL MACEACHERN

St. John's wants to help Bay de Verde in the wake of a massive fire that destroyed the town's fish plant.

City staff were asked at Monday evening's council meeting to offer whatever fire department resources the community needs.

"Their volunteer firefighters obviously experienced something today that they normally would not experience in a small community, and I hope they don't have to do it again," said Coun. Jonathan Galgay following Monday's meeting.

"But we have various types of resources through the St. John's Regional Fire Department that the city manager has been directed tonight to reach out to the fire chief to see if we can assist them with cleaning their bunker gear and things of that nature, because typically these types of devices are not in volunteer fire departments, so we want to see whatever we can do to help them through this process. We'll certainly do that."

On Tuesday, Galgay said the city's interim city manager contacted the Bay de Verde town clerk and fire chief to offer any kind of assistance or advice needed, while the St. John's Regional Fire Department fire chief has been in touch with the provincial fire commissioner. Galgay said Bay de Verde is still assessing its needs.

"We've opened the lines of communication and offered our support," he said.

TELEGRAM - About Bryn Mawr

BY JOSH PENNELL

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The house was designed by architect William F. Butler, who was popular in the elaborate residential designs of posh St. John's.

The house remained in the Baird family until it was sold around 1970 to local businessman Jim Steinhauer. The acreage has been reduced over the years as the city expanded.

The house is still owned by the Steinhauer family and was lived in until recent years.

Lynn Green is Baird's great-granddaughter. Her mother was born in Bryn Mawr. Admittedly, she has a personal connection with the place that lends to her wanting to see it saved, though her desire to see protection for heritage buildings extends beyond the borders of Bryn Mawr.

Green still has some of the furniture from the home that can be seen in black and white photos she got from her mother, which she figures were taken in the 1920s. Her mother would often speak to her about playing upstairs and looking through the big windows that at that time looked out over the whole city.

Green was in Bryn Mawr for the last time about 40 years ago.

"It's just a beautiful, huge living room area. Lovely fireplaces," she says.

"I think I was impressed that they had an elevator. Now it was a really old elevator, but I was impressed that there was an elevator in the house."

There was also the beautiful staircase that she went up to visit the rooms her mother spoke about playing in as a child.

"I never kind of drive by that house without having some thought about it," she says.

Now a mother and grandmother, Green would like to be able to bring her children and grandchildren through Bryn Mawr. She has driven up what is still a long country driveway with her grandchildren.

“For them, even just driving up that road is kind of magical.”

There are certainly those who only see the acreage of Bryn Mawr as a potential development and the structure itself as a potential money pit. And it's hard to ridicule the current owner for whatever decision they make. It's theirs, after all, and their reasons for deciding to do what they will are their own.

There has already been some demolition of the inside of the house. As Green points out, if there is to be a future for such heritage buildings, the province and the city must come together so the responsibility of upkeep and protection doesn't become a burden to current owners.

She hopes such a development in favour of historic buildings can be struck before Bryn Mawr falls.

TELEGRAM - EDITORIAL - The source

St. John's city councillors can be forgiven for sometimes feeling like rejects on a gong show. It's a little unfair to characterize them that way. After all, they are faced with dozens of decisions every week, and you can't always expect them to get it right.

Nonetheless, it seems that far too often, some sort of strange conflict arises.

Take this past Monday, when council – on the advice of the city lawyer – came to the Kafkaesque conclusion that someone outside city hall had to advise them whether they could implement a wage freeze on councillors and senior staff.

Now, it's true that independent advice must be sought in order to implement a wage hike. But you hardly need advice to implement a freeze. It's an austerity measure, and largely a symbolic one at that. But we digress. Just how bad is St. John's city council? Well, if a recent article in theopined.com is any indication, it's the worst. That's right, the worst among surveys taken in 20 other Canadian cities. Here's how the article explains the report: “The award was given based on an overall score determined by the polling of residents living in 20 Canadian cities, including all provincial capitals and other major cities. A portion of the score was also based on an objective evaluation by a panel consisting of economists, workplace counsellors, and public-relations experts.”

The problems cited could have been ripped straight from the headlines citizens read every day: squabbling among councillors, a peevish and unpopular mayor, oppressively high business taxes.

It even quotes experts saying the city has a “backwards strategy” that's turning away business owners.

“When you have someone appearing on TV to throw his colleagues under the bus, everybody loses,” said another expert. It all rings true. But is it? Because the article lacks one key element: a source.

Nowhere does it say who conducted the survey or when it was done. No other reference to the story was evident in a Google search.

Worse still, none of the experts named, including the name of a specific consulting firm, readily showed up in a variety of searches.

A response to an online query in the comments section indicated the survey was conducted by the City Planners Association of Ontario and will be released in its quarterly publication. No such organization showed up on Google. There's no way to verify this story, and that's alarming.

If this survey is for real, then it only confirms what most of us already know.

If it isn't ... well, this council faces enough flak through credible media channels.

TELEGRAM - EDITORIAL - Help us save Bryn Mawr

On behalf of the board and members of the Newfoundland and Labrador Historic Trust, I would like to bring attention to some of the issues surrounding the current discussion about 154 New Cove Rd. (a.k.a. Bryn Mawr, Baird's Cottage) in St. John's, both to highlight the importance of this property to our city, as well as to emphasize our reasons for pushing so strongly against its demolition.

In September 1993, owner Jim Steinhauser successfully applied to the Heritage Foundation of Newfoundland and Labrador to have his home provincially designated a registered heritage structure. This designation, voluntarily initiated by Steinhauser, was intended to help protect the building for future generations.

This designation recognized the near original condition of the home, a unique example of a Queen Anne Victorian country house that has been very well maintained. It was designed by local architect William Butler and has been owned by only two separate families in its 109-year history. Located on 3 1/2 acres of parkland overlooking the city, it is known by many as Bryn Mawr, a Welsh term for "big hill."

In addition to its architectural uniqueness, its historic value is indisputable. James Baird, a Scotsman who came to Newfoundland in 1844, built this home after becoming a successful businessman. He started out with a focus on imports and draperies and expanded into a variety of areas to become one of the largest mercantile and fish exporting operations in the colony of Newfoundland. This was his country estate – fit for a king, or in this case, one of the most powerful families in the economic development of our island.

As experts and advocates in heritage (tangible and intangible), architecture and urban design, we feel that sites such as this are essential as part of the future development of our city. Not only are they significant in terms of tourism and community pride, but when preserved, adapted to new uses and/or incorporated into new designs, they increase property values and tax revenues and improve quality of life.

As can be seen in more progressive cities, development and heritage conservation are never antithetical. Bryn Mawr's location in a mixed-use neighbourhood provides a unique opportunity for a single-family dwelling to be repurposed into a use that makes sense in the 21st century. Local examples of successful adaptive reuse exist, such as Mallard Cottage, Raymonds restaurant and Thimble Cottage.

Living in a city with weak heritage regulations, we face many unnecessary demolitions, attacks on our history, community and environment through the waste that this causes. Many of these demolitions have left us with vacant lots – gravel pits and parking lots – where we once had the bones for vibrant neighbourhoods.

We ask our city and its proud residents to come together to help protect this property. As a provincially designated site, and in respect for the wishes of previous owners, we should at the very least be engaging in a dialogue as to potential reuses for this building. Our city councillors can and should help facilitate this discussion, both through re-examining current regulations and policies surrounding built heritage, and by working with property owners and developers to ensure that demolition is the last and most undesirable option. Our city council already has the power to refuse a demolition permit, if they so choose.

Councillors Jonathan Galgay, Sandy Hickman, Dave Lane and Sheilagh O'Leary have already

expressed their opposition to demolition. I invite everyone to sign our online petition (www.change.org, search: "Save Bryn Mawr") and to write to city council (citycouncil@stjohns.ca) expressing your concerns. Additional details and discussion can be found on our website (www.HistoricTrust.ca) and our Facebook page (Newfoundland and Labrador Historic Trust). Cory Thorne, vice-president Newfoundland and Labrador Historic Trust

CBC - Roundabout should replace confusing intersection , says St. John's driver

One St. John's driver is frustrated with the intersection where Freshwater Road turns into Kenmount Road, and he's calling for a roundabout.

Ward Pike told CBC Radio's St. John's Morning Show he sees drivers cutting through the parking lot of Manna Bakery to get from Kenmount Road to Prince Philip Drive.

"It's wrong and, unfortunately, it's also the only way to really get through it in any timely manner," he said.

<http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/newfoundland-labrador/kenmount-road-freshwater-road-roundabout-1.3531734>

CBC East Coast Morning Show - Wed, April 13, 2016

ROAD WORK AND RUSH HOUR: The City of St. John's has brought in a new rule about work road. ["Danny Breen", Chair of Public Works Committee]

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CBC - St. John's looking at heritage status for Bryn Mawr

A St. John's city councillor says the city is considering getting heritage status for Bryn Mawr, also known as Baird Cottage, which the private owner has applied to demolish. Sheilagh O'Leary says council voted Monday night to look at the possibility of obtaining heritage status for the building on New Cove Road.

<http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/newfoundland-labrador/sheilagh-oleary-bryn-mawr-heritage-1.3498955>

CBC - Proposed wage freeze at St. John's City Hall stalls

St. John's Councillor Jonathan Galgay says his proposed wage freeze on all management, non-union staff and members of council is on hold due to a conflict of interest.

After Monday's council meeting, Galgay insisted he hasn't changed his mind about the wage freeze.

<http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/newfoundland-labrador/stjohns-wage-freeze-deferred-jonathan-galgay-1.3530745>

VOCM - Council Considers Heritage Status for Historic Home

City council is moving to protect a historic home in danger of demolition, and trying to see how they can continue to do so going forward. VOCM's Andrew Hawthorn reports.

<http://www.vocm.com/newsarticle.asp?mn=2&id=61854&latest=1>

VOCM 1pm News - Tue, April 12, 2016

PROTECTING HISTORIC HOME: St. John's City Council is moving to protect a historic home in danger of demolition, and trying to see how they can continue to do so going forward.

CBC Here & Now - Tue, April 12, 2016

CITY COUNCIL VOTES IN FAVOUR OF HERITAGE STATUS FOR BRYN MAWR: St. John's City Council voted last night to consider Heritage status for a controversial building on New Cove Road.

EXTERNAL REVIEW FOR WAGE FREEZE PROPOSAL: A proposal to freeze non-union wages at St. John's City Hall has run into a delay. ["Jonathan Galgay", St. John's City Councillor]

NTV Evening Newshour - Tue, April 12, 2016

WAGE FREEZE PROPOSAL UNDER REVIEW: The capital city has deferred a plan to freeze wages at St. John's City Hall. ["Jonathan Galgay", St. John's City Councillor]

CITY PLANS TO DESIGNATE BAIRD COTTAGE AS HERITAGE PROPERTY: The City of St. John's is moving forward with its plans to designate Baird Cottage as a Heritage home. ["Sheilagh O'Leary", St. John's City Councillor; "Cory Thorne", NL Historic Trust; "Ron Ellsworth", Deputy Mayor; "Tom Hann", City Councillor; "Dave Lane", City Councillor]
<http://ntv.ca/st-johns-moves-to-give-heritage-designation-to-threatened-mansion/>



Bryn Mawr
Richard J Cook to: citycouncil
Cc: george, Lisa Cook

2016/04/13 11:43 AM

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Re: Bryn Mawr
Ron Ellsworth to: Richard J Cook

2016/04/13 01:48 PM

Thanks Dick for your email and sharing your information . It will all be considered if a application comes to council .

Thank you

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Re: ATIPP request - 154 New Cove Road

Jessica Dellow to: Kenessa Cutler

2016/04/13 02:27 PM

History:

This message has been replied to.

Dear Ms. Cutler,

Thank you for your prompt response to my request for information. The City's response is only partial I note, and portions of it are redacted.

In addition to the information relating to Bryn Mawr (154 New Cove Road), I requested a copy of the agenda and all accompanying materials (i.e., materials which did not relate to Bryn Mawr) for the March meeting of the Panel. Also, I requested a copy of the minutes prepared in respect of that meeting (in their entirety). Can you confirm whether: (a) the City is refusing to provide these records, or (b) the City is still looking for these records.

Thank you, [REDACTED]

On 13 April 2016 at 10:36, Kenessa Cutler <kcutler@stjohns.ca> wrote:

My apologies, I forgot to include the second part from our Planning and Development Dept.

Please see the attached:

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From: Kenessa Cutler/CSJ
To: [REDACTED]
Date: 2016/04/13 10:20 AM
Subject: Re: ATIPP request - 154 New Cove Road

Hi [REDACTED],

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Ken O'Brien to: Sylvester Crocker, Peter Mercer, Arthur MacDonald

2016/04/13 03:11 PM

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"Features such as the richly decorated eaves and porch, and the use of various types of exterior sheathing and windows, also conform to Queen Anne style. The glasswork is also impressive, with leaded cut glass in the vestibule, along with stained-glass in other parts of the house."

The house was designed by architect William F. Butler, who was popular in the elaborate residential designs of posh St. John's.

The house remained in the Baird family until it was sold around 1970 to local businessman Jim Steinhauer. The acreage has been reduced over the years as the city expanded.

The house is still owned by the Steinhauer family and was lived in until recent years.

Lynn Green is Baird's great-granddaughter. Her mother was born in Bryn Mawr. Admittedly, she has a personal connection with the place that lends to her wanting to see it saved, though her desire to see protection for heritage buildings extends beyond the borders of Bryn Mawr.

Green still has some of the furniture from the home that can be seen in black and white photos she got from her mother, which she figures were taken in the 1920s. Her mother would often speak to her about playing upstairs and looking through the big windows that at that time looked out over the whole city.

Green was in Bryn Mawr for the last time about 40 years ago.

"It's just a beautiful, huge living room area. Lovely fireplaces," she says.

"I think I was impressed that they had an elevator. Now it was a really old elevator, but I was impressed that there was an elevator in the house."

There was also the beautiful staircase that she went up to visit the rooms her mother spoke about playing in as a child.

"I never kind of drive by that house without having some thought about it," she says.

Now a mother and grandmother, Green would like to be able to bring her children and grandchildren through Bryn Mawr. She has driven up what is still a long country driveway with her grandchildren.

"For them, even just driving up that road is kind of magical."

There are certainly those who only see the acreage of Bryn Mawr as a potential development and the structure itself as a potential money pit. And it's hard to ridicule the current owner for whatever decision they make. It's theirs, after all, and their reasons for deciding to do what they will are their own.

There has already been some demolition of the inside of the house. As Green points out, if there is to be a future for such heritage buildings, the province and the city must come together so the responsibility of upkeep and protection doesn't become a burden to current owners.

She hopes such a development in favour of historic buildings can be struck before Bryn Mawr falls.

TELEGRAM - EDITORIAL - Help us save Bryn Mawr

On behalf of the board and members of the Newfoundland and Labrador Historic Trust, I would like to bring attention to some of the issues surrounding the current discussion about 154 New Cove Rd. (a.k.a. Bryn Mawr, Baird's Cottage) in St. John's, both to highlight the importance of this property to our city, as well as to emphasize our reasons for pushing so strongly against its demolition.

In September 1993, owner Jim Steinhauser successfully applied to the Heritage Foundation of Newfoundland and Labrador to have his home provincially designated a registered heritage structure. This designation, voluntarily initiated by Steinhauser, was intended to help protect the building for future generations.

This designation recognized the near original condition of the home, a unique example of a Queen Anne Victorian country house that has been very well maintained. It was designed by local architect William Butler and has been owned by only two separate families in its 109-year history. Located on 3 1/2 acres of parkland overlooking the city, it is known by many as Bryn

Mawr, a Welsh term for “big hill.”

In addition to its architectural uniqueness, its historic value is indisputable. James Baird, a Scotsman who came to Newfoundland in 1844, built this home after becoming a successful businessman. He started out with a focus on imports and draperies and expanded into a variety of areas to become one of the largest mercantile and fish exporting operations in the colony of Newfoundland. This was his country estate – fit for a king, or in this case, one of the most powerful families in the economic development of our island.

As experts and advocates in heritage (tangible and intangible), architecture and urban design, we feel that sites such as this are essential as part of the future development of our city. Not only are they significant in terms of tourism and community pride, but when preserved, adapted to new uses and/or incorporated into new designs, they increase property values and tax revenues and improve quality of life.

As can be seen in more progressive cities, development and heritage conservation are never antithetical. Bryn Mawr’s location in a mixed-use neighbourhood provides a unique opportunity for a single-family dwelling to be repurposed into a use that makes sense in the 21st century. Local examples of successful adaptive reuse exist, such as Mallard Cottage, Raymonds restaurant and Thimble Cottage.

Living in a city with weak heritage regulations, we face many unnecessary demolitions, attacks on our history, community and environment through the waste that this causes. Many of these demolitions have left us with vacant lots – gravel pits and parking lots – where we once had the bones for vibrant neighbourhoods.

We ask our city and its proud residents to come together to help protect this property. As a provincially designated site, and in respect for the wishes of previous owners, we should at the very least be engaging in a dialogue as to potential reuses for this building. Our city councillors can and should help facilitate this discussion, both through re-examining current regulations and policies surrounding built heritage, and by working with property owners and developers to ensure that demolition is the last and most undesirable option. Our city council already has the power to refuse a demolition permit, if they so choose.

Councillors Jonathan Galgay, Sandy Hickman, Dave Lane and Sheilagh O’Leary have already expressed their opposition to demolition. I invite everyone to sign our online petition (www.change.org, search: “Save Bryn Mawr”) and to write to city council (citycouncil@stjohns.ca) expressing your concerns. Additional details and discussion can be found on our website (www.HistoricTrust.ca) and our Facebook page (Newfoundland and Labrador Historic Trust).

Cory Thorne, vice-president Newfoundland and Labrador Historic Trust

Media Headlines - April 12, 2016

CBC - St. John's looking at heritage status for Bryn Mawr

A St. John's city councillor says the city is considering getting heritage status for Bryn Mawr, also known as Baird Cottage, which the private owner has applied to demolish. Sheilagh O'Leary says council voted Monday night to look at the possibility of obtaining heritage status for the building on New Cove Road.

<http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/newfoundland-labrador/sheilagh-oleary-bryn-mawr-heritage-1.3498955>

VOCM - Council Considers Heritage Status for Historic Home

City council is moving to protect a historic home in danger of demolition, and trying to see how they can continue to do so going forward. VOCM's Andrew Hawthorn reports.

<http://www.vocm.com/newsarticle.asp?mn=2&id=61854&latest=1>



Re: ATIPP request - 154 New Cove Road

to: Kenessa Cutler

2016/04/13 03:53 PM

History:

This message has been replied to.

Thank you very much Ms. Cutler. I noticed that the City website only has a portion of the Agenda online, and not the minutes. Would the City be able to post the Agenda and accompanying documents, in future, online prior to the Committee meeting and make the minutes available online in a timely fashion?

I will wait to hear from you, no great rush on this request.

On 13 April 2016 at 15:17, Kenessa Cutler <kcutler@stjohns.ca> wrote:

I was under the impression you were looking for the minutes and agenda pertaining to 154 New Cove Road.

Please see the attached minutes and agenda in their entirety

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From: [REDACTED]
To: Kenessa Cutler <kcutler@stjohns.ca>
Date: 2016/04/13 02:27 PM
Subject: Re: ATIPP request - 154 New Cove Road

Dear Ms. Cutler,

Thank you for your prompt response to my request for information. The City's response is only partial I note, and portions of it are redacted.

In addition to the information relating to Bryn Mawr (154 New Cove Road), I requested a copy of the agenda and all accompanying materials (i.e., materials which did not relate to Bryn Mawr) for the March meeting of the Panel. Also, I requested a copy of the minutes prepared in respect of that meeting (in their entirety). Can you confirm whether: (a) the City is refusing to

provide these records, or (b) the City is still looking for these records.

Thank you [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

On 13 April 2016 at 10:36, Kenessa Cutler <kcutler@stjohns.ca> wrote:
Ms. Dellow,

My apologies, I forgot to include the second part from our Planning and Development Dept.

Please see the attached:

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To: [REDACTED]
Date: 2016/04/13 10:20 AM
Subject: Re: ATIPP request - 154 New Cove Road

[REDACTED]

Please see the attached re: your request for information.

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Please see the attached letter with regards to your request for information.

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154 New Cove Rd. - to P&D Cmte. agenda

Ken O'Brien to: Jason Sinyard

Cc: Donna L Mullett, Arthur MacDonald

2016/04/13 04:13 PM

Jason, you and I discussed this item and whether it needed a separate memo. The item is in the BHEP report to P&D Cmte. However, as the application arrived late (only a few days before the BHEP meeting), there was almost no detail in the BHEP agenda.

Therefore, it would be advisable for us to include a supplementary staff memo to the P&D Cmte., which will include some photos of the building, the statement of significance, and a draft designation by-law should Council decide to designate.

Make sense?

Ken



P&D Committee draft agenda for April 19

Ken O'Brien to: Art Puddister
Cc: Jason Sinyard, Kathy Driscoll

2016/04/13 04:43 PM

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Ken O'Brien to: Garnet Kindervater

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Art Puddister to: Ken O'Brien

Cc: Jason Sinyard, Kathy Driscoll

2016/04/13 06:04 PM

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Art

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Matthew Mills to: Ken O'Brien

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Re: Waterstreetbigdig and other matters
Dave Lane to: Andrew Smith

2016/04/17 08:27 PM

Hi Andrew,

Thanks for this. I've been swamped lately at work along with the various issues at City Hall so I've had trouble keeping on top of "non-urgent" requests.

Your suggestion is interesting. My first thought is to wonder if it's really necessary to explicitly slow traffic given it's already so slow and steady. But worth a think for sure.

I'm going to discuss your ideas for "adopt a spot" approaches to the parkettes as well as leaving Bond Street "as-is" with Danny Breen tomorrow.

Talk soon,
Dave

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On Apr 8, 2016, at 09:09, Andrew Smith <[REDACTED]> wrote:

Dave,

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Re: Waterstreetbigdig and other matters
Andrew Smith to: Dave Lane
Please respond to Andrew Smith

2016/04/17 08:39 PM

Dave,

I appreciate the follow-up.

The UK has been doing a lot of speed reduction experiments and calming experiments. Such as lowering speed limits to better space out traffic. It sounds peculiar, that traffic will move through better with lower speed limit, but it tends to reduce the stop, go, rush, stop repeat. Something needs to change downtown, and with a focus on encouraging increased foot traffic, or else it will quickly become a drive through area, with little reason to get out, and therefore little reason to set up shop.

Wakability (sic) downtown is one aspect that No Other Office/Business/Residential area has in town. Business niche market.

Anything to increase value to the citizens, and keeping down the cost to the taxpayers. Oh, and there were blue markers on the shut-off valves on our street- I don't know if a construction project is in the works... but there are other streets in worse shape, I would think.

Have a good evening.

-Andrew

From: Dave Lane <dlane@stjohns.ca>

To: Andrew Smith [REDACTED]

Sent: Sunday, April 17, 2016 8:27 PM

Subject: Re: Waterstreetbigdig and other matters

Hi Andrew,

Thanks for this. I've been swamped lately at work along with the various issues at City Hall so I've had trouble keeping on top of "non-urgent" requests.

Your suggestion is interesting. My first thought is to wonder if it's really necessary to explicitly slow traffic given it's already so slow and steady. But worth a think for sure.

I'm going to discuss your ideas for "adopt a spot" approaches to the parkettes as well as leaving Bond Street "as-is" with Danny Breen tomorrow.

Talk soon,

Dave

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Dave Lane

Councillor at Large, St. John's

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Re: Bryn Mawr
Sheila Coultas to: DOKeefe

2016/04/18 09:07 AM

Mayor O'Keefe,

In response to your response to me regarding Bryn Mawr

I and Council have a lot of respect for what makes this City not only special but unique.

Really? Is that why you were going to Florida? To drum up cruise tourism?

The fact of the matter is, there is very little going on regarding heritage preservation in this City anymore. What would the Cruise tourists be coming to see? Between the outlandishly high business tax hikes and the loss of culture there will be nothing left to do or see here. It will be like any other City.

Perhaps you could tell me why Neil Martin is being blessed with such a high "compensation package" if it is money that the Council needs to designate and restore old properties. I would personally like to know how such a thing comes to pass when a City Council is claiming that they are so hard put that they must make such rises in taxes that are damaging to the citizens and businesses of a city. Honestly, you claim to have great respect for this City, but this is a very poor way of showing it.

What we do not have are the answers to the issue and it seems fm that we are not the only ones. Do you have a plan or suggestions as to how our churches, old public buildings like the Court House and private residences can not only be protected but preserved and where the money will come from to do so? We have struggled with it! Have you?

I have wondered about it all, and I have watched with increasing dismay at the choices you and your council have made. But, I am not the Mayor, nor would I run for Mayor if I were not prepared to do what is necessary to get the answers to these questions. It is not my job. It is your job, our Elected Mayor, and the Council, to find ways to effectively deal with these things and to know what is happening inside the workings of City hall and the City at large that require attention and consideration.

Sheila

On Mon, Apr 18, 2016 at 8:25 AM, Sheila Coultas [REDACTED] > wrote:

STC

Begin forwarded message:

From: Dennis O'Keefe <DOKeefe@stjohns.ca>
Date: April 3, 2016 at 8:47:03 PM NDT
To: Sheila Coultas <[REDACTED]>
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Sent from my iPhone

On Apr 3, 2016, at 9:26 AM, Sheila Coultas <[REDACTED]> wrote:

Good Morning Mayor O'keefe,

I am writing now regarding the proposal to demolish Baird Cottage.

I am frankly astonished that it is even being entertained by council at all. I hope that council will remember the uproar about Quinnapiac, and the appalling loopholes in the contract with the company regarding the house on Old Topsail Road.

To be open and honest this council, under your Mayoralty, has had very little respect, it seems, for what makes our city special. I trust that will change.

STC



Please Save Bryn Mawr
Catherine Burton to: citycouncil@stjohns.ca

2016/04/18 01:02 PM

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If you consider the Tourist draw that Green Gables is in PEI, it would be madness to tear it down, to be replaced by yet more characterless, soulless condominiums and supermarkets. One of Newfoundland's main selling points is its character. The National Trust, in England, is careful to preserve its historic buildings, and has found all kinds of ways of generating revenue from so doing.

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legislation
Rhonda Hutton to: Sheilagh O'Leary

2016/04/18 03:06 PM

History:

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Hi Sheilagh

Just a quick note on legislation the Act.

We just had a tax law changed 18 months ago. We (The City, Hotels, DSJ MOU) had to change the legislation to reflect the growing needs of the convention center overrun and increased the tourism marketing levy to 4%. The motion was passed, the documents filed to the province, the Cabinet paper was written and it was passed in the House of Assembly. In short order I might add. That is simplifying things but legislation and bylaw changes and additions to them are part of the operations of government bodies.

Is it a tad cumbersome? Yes. But anyone says it can't be done is spewing nonsense. Just site the above noted change. The will was there to do it so it happened. Like the interpretation of the Charter and the Constitution, legislation follows the principle of the living tree doctrine. Things change and the rules that govern us from time to time need to reflect the new needs. If we need to incentive investors to maintain the 87 buildings that the Trust have noted as "significant" than that is a new need and the City could and should act.

Cheers
Rhonda

From: Sheilagh O'Leary [<mailto:SOLeary@stjohns.ca>]
Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2016 9:42 PM
To: Rhonda Hutton
Cc: Sandy Hickman; Dave Lane
Subject: Re: Heritage, changing mindset

Rhonda,
I am so on board with this concept.

Monday, I am putting forward a Notice of Motion to designate Bryn Mawr a St. John's heritage property.

If successful at its vote of council (the following week), this will put a stop to the immediate issue of the demo order.

We will chat more for certain and thanks for the Savanagh information.

The St. John's City Act is always the excuse I hear for not being able to offer tax incentives. That's where I'd like to push it as well. I need to learn more about that. Grants are great, but tax incentives trumps all.

And I love the modern interior juxtaposition concept and I think this could be a turning point for

heritage preservation in this city ...

Katherine Hann has lots of smart things to say, as well, about Municipal heritage. With lots of good minds working together, we will make good decisions for heritage preservation/celebration.

Regards,
Sheilagh
cell (709)725-5068

Sent from my iPhone

On Apr 7, 2016, at 6:50 PM, Rhonda Hutton <rhutton@destinationstjohns.com> wrote:
Hello all

Regarding our current heritage property issue. Or rather the ongoing issue. I am sending this to you three because I think you all agreed in the media we should try and save the property. Some or all of this noted below you may know, so skip over the parts that are yada yada to you.

We don't have to reinvent the wheel on heritage preservation and business models that could fit our city. There are models out there where cities and heritage trust organizations have incentives in place. Getting an award is nice, but tax incentives and other types of incentives need to be in place. Savannah (see below) has a great model. Example. If the house is valued at \$100,000 pre reno, the developer puts in \$500k, the tax rate would be held at \$100k for a determined number of years. And I could go on with incentives. The big challenge - the will. Decision makers and developers need to consider the best practices of other regions. Are we going to be Dartmouth? Or do we want to be the oldest coolest city in North America. Restoration and preservation can be profitable. We need to work together.

When I was in Charleston, in one of the offices we visited they had a picture of a small art gallery, think Peter Lewis size. It was a picture of a very modern looking glass building in Dusseldorf with these incredible beams running through it. The placard on the outside of the building said- the trees to build this building were harvested 300 years ago,

we could not cut them down again. Inside were date stamps of the age of the tree. The beams were part of the art gallery. They saved the heritage that made sense.

The notion of Heritage preservation, in our sometimes cynical city, needs to change. It is not backward thinking and saving old stuff for old stuff sake.

You can't force property owners to be designated. That fact is missing with the outrage with the city. I think this needs to be communicated.

If a developer could recognize that turning a historical property into a modern space is a very cool thing then we could catch up with other regions. We need to get home owners on side early on. Not when they are 82 years old and need to leave.

The juxtaposition of a 1800s exterior mixed with modern amenities is a design concept adapted in many places and has been done here.

I could go on with Gen X and Y ideas of smaller eclectic spaces, kitchen gardens and OMG what that space could be but I will leave that to the pros.

I leave you with a quote from Savannah and a economic impact study of protecting heritage. We could scale this to our city. They had 5 times the buildings to restore than we need to consider. So on scale, the model is there.

Less outrage, less picketing, more thoughtful action.

Keep up the good work.

If I can help let me know.

Thanks for the time.

Rhonda

"The founding of Historic Savannah Foundation began with a catalyst – the impending destruction of the Isaiah Davenport House, an 1820s brick home on Columbia Square in 1955. Through the tenacity of an unlikely band of activists, the house was saved and the organization founded. Since that time, Savannah has achieved an international reputation for historic preservation and today boasts a billion dollar tourist industry."

http://www.myhsf.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/05/HSF-Beyond-Tourism-Report-2015-FINAL_optimized.pdf

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Re: 154 New Cove Road 
Ken O'Brien to: Fred Steinhauer
 Cc: Jason Sinyard, Cheryl L Mullett
 Bcc: Ken O'Brien

2016/04/18 03:57 PM

History: This message has been replied to.

Thank you for your reply, Mr. Steinhauer. I understand your decision to not attend Council's Planning and Development Committee meeting on April 19. I am copying Cheryl Mullett, our City Solicitor, and Jason Sinyard, our Deputy City Manager - Planning, Development and Engineering, for their information.

Thank you also for the copy of your letter of April 10 addressed to all of Council. Since you have already sent that letter to Council, it would not be appropriate for me as a staff member to place it on the agenda for the committee meeting tomorrow. Council will address your letter as it sees fit.

You also mention the letter sent from the City - from our City Solicitor, I believe - dated April 12. We will welcome any correspondence that you wish to send along.

I have had a few conversations over the years with your mother regarding various properties. She was always gracious on the phone.

Regards,

Ken O'Brien

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"Fred Steinhauer"	Ken O'Brien,	2016/04/18 11:26:07 AM
From:	"Fred Steinhauer" <freds@nl.rogers.com>	
To:	"Ken O'Brien" <kobrien@stjohns.ca>	
Date:	2016/04/18 11:26 AM	
Subject:		

Ken O'Brien,

Thank you for the invitation to Council's Planning and Development Committee meeting on April 19, 2016. I have decided that there is little value in me attending as we have clearly outlined our position in a letter I sent to City Councilors on April 10, 2016 and that letter also included a letter from our solicitors to the City dated March 28, 2016. A copy of the April 10, 2016 letter is attached for your consideration at the meeting on April 19, 2016.

As you will see from my submission, we are opposed to our property being designated as heritage. We are certain that our mother, and our property, is entitled to the same treatment from the City that

other taxpayers/property owners have received in the past. Based on past practices of the City of St. John's, together with the chronology of actions we took and the facts we relied upon since September, 2014 to arrange for a demolition and sale of our property, we feel that any action by the City to refuse our application would be a violation of our rights as property owners.

Our solicitors are still reviewing the letter received from the City dated April 12, 2016 and we may have further correspondence for your consideration prior to the expiration of the 30 day deadline.

Regards,

Fred Steinhauer



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Media Headlines - April 28, 2016

Kelly Maguire to: Council_group, Executives, Directors, Cindy McGrath, Ken O'Brien, Janet Adams, Strategy & Engagement

2016/04/28 09:57 AM



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VOCM Morning Show - Thu, April 28, 2016

SPECIAL RETIREMENT CELEBRATION FOR ST. JOHN'S FIRE CHIEF: A special celebration took place at the West End fire station in St. John's yesterday afternoon to mark the official retirement of Captain "Rennie Perrin" after 40 years. His co-workers arranged to bring together all the crew from the old Central Fire Station whom he worked with over the years. Perrin was overwhelmed with emotion. ["Insp. Cara Parady", St. John's Regional Fire Department]

TELEGRAM

Captain closes career



JOE GIBBONS/THE TELEGRAMAfter almost 40 years as a firefighter, Capt. Rennie Perrin worked his last shift with the St. John's Regional Fire Department (SJRFD) on Wednesday. Perrin joined the ranks of the fire department on Aug. 19, 1976. His "B" shift comrades enjoyed a little fun with their captain on his last day. Holding Perrin are (from left) firefighters Sean McCarthy, Jim Stowe, Jim O'Toole, Lt. Mike Hall, Kris Corbett and Gerald Reid.

Telegram - Councillor confused about heritage : Historic Trust

BY DANIEL MACEACHERN

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The group that organized a petition to save Baird Cottage says a city councillor is confused about what it expects the city to do.

"Nothing in relation to any of these properties involves any request for taxpayer money," said Cory Thorne, vice-president of the Newfoundland & Labrador Historic Trust, which gathered

more than 1,600 signatures in support of heritage status for the cottage, also known as Bryn Mawr.

Coun. Wally Collins said at Tuesday's council meeting that groups like the Heritage Foundation of Newfoundland and Labrador should do more fundraising instead of expecting the city to save historic properties. However, it was the NL Historic Trust who presented the petition, while the Heritage Foundation is a non-profit organization run by the provincial government.

"I thought his comment was very misleading," said Thorne. "I don't think it was based in any facts in terms of what we're talking about."

Thorne said Collins' comments pandered to misconceptions that heritage designations necessarily require either taxpayer money or place a financial burden on property owners, and expecting heritage groups to fundraise to save them misses the point.

"If we're talking about a property like Richmond Cottage or Bryn Mawr Cottage, why should we be fundraising to increase the profits of some of the wealthiest residents of our province? Because that's what he's asking us to do," said Thorne. "Why should we fundraise to save Bryn Mawr Cottage, a property that's owned by a multimillionaire, who wants to become a bigger multimillionaire through this transaction? This is not about somebody who cannot afford the upkeep of their property. It's not about somebody who cannot find an option of what to do with their property. It's about individuals who want to take something, where they've already got something substantial to work with, and they want to increase their profit above and beyond."

Peter Jackson, president of the Historic Trust, said he laughed when he heard Collins' suggestion that the city is being expected to do anything other than designate Baird Cottage.

"Nobody's asking the city to contribute anything at this point," Jackson said. "So his comments seemed really out of whack with the present situation. ... We're asking them to designate it as a heritage property, and the maintenance of it will then fall to the new owners and how it's developed. We think that it should be responsibly developed and incorporated into something new. Nobody's asking for any money from the city."

It's not fair to imply the Trust – a volunteer organization made up largely of people who own heritage homes – isn't doing enough to protect the city's historic buildings, Jackson said.

"I'm in a heritage home, the vice-president is in a heritage home, our treasurer's in a heritage home, and we're all spending money on maintaining and restoring them, so for him to say that was kind of strange," he said.

Like the city, the Historic Trust is waiting to see how Baird Cottage's owner, Mildred Steinhauer, responds to the city's notification it may seek heritage status.

"We're just waiting to see what happens with the city," said Jackson. "Council is waiting for the 30-day period to give the owners a chance to respond to that, so that's what we're doing, too. We're waiting to see what's going to happen over the next two weeks."

TELEGRAM - St. John's among cities with too many new houses

Evidence of overvalued home prices grows in a number of markets: CMHC

BY ALEXANDRA POSADZKI

There is mounting evidence that house prices in a number of Canadian cities – including Vancouver, Saskatoon and Hamilton – are out of whack with incomes and other economic fundamentals, according to the latest report from the federal housing agency.

Canada Mortgage and Housing Corp. says it has found evidence of overvaluation in nine of the

15 real estate markets included in its quarterly report released Wednesday.

Overbuilding was identified as a problem in seven of the markets tracked by the report.

“Overvaluation and overbuilding remain the most prevalent problematic conditions observed across the 15 centres,” Bob Dugan, CMHC’s chief economist, said during a conference call.

Overvaluation occurs when home prices are so high that they are not fully supported by economic fundamentals such as family incomes, mortgage rates and population growth, according to CMHC.

The housing agency says overvaluation grew from moderate to strong in Vancouver and Saskatoon between January and April.

In Saskatoon, it was a deterioration in the underlying economic conditions – and not prices – that was responsible for the elevated warning flag, whereas in Vancouver, red-hot prices were to blame.

“Fundamentals are actually quite strong in Vancouver,” said Dugan. “There’s been a lot of employment and income growth and population growth, but prices are increasing by even more.”

In Hamilton, overvaluation increased from weak to moderate over the same three-month period as prices of single-family homes climbed.

“It’s one of the hottest markets in Ontario,” said Ted Tsiakopoulos, CMHC’s regional economist for Ontario, adding that migration from less affordable nearby cities, such as Toronto, has been one of the drivers of Hamilton’s price growth.

In all the other markets, overvaluation remained stable compared to the previous quarter.

Edmonton, Calgary, Regina and Montreal all continued to see moderate evidence of overvaluation, while in Toronto and Quebec City, evidence that house prices are overvalued remained strong.

Strong evidence of overbuilding – a measure that suggests the supply of new homes is outpacing demand for them – was found in Saskatoon and Regina.

Meanwhile, Calgary, Winnipeg, Ottawa, Moncton, N.B., and St. John’s, N.L., all demonstrated moderate levels of overbuilding.

In Toronto, overbuilding in the overall market was weak, but CMHC warned about potentially problematic conditions in the condo sector.

“We do have some concerns about the high inventory of completed and unsold condominium apartments,” Dugan said.

Despite the fact that 10 of the 15 markets tracked displayed strong or moderate evidence of problematic conditions overall, the agency said that on a national level, signs of trouble are weak.

Dugan says it’s not unusual for national statistics to mask the issues that are occurring on more regional levels.

“Often the national picture looks fairly benign,” Dugan said.

“It’s always when you drill down to more local levels of detail that you can uncover some issues or imbalances that warrant attention. I think that the message from this overall is that the national picture doesn’t represent the level of imbalance in individual markets.”

CMHC’s house price analysis and assessment aims to identify potential risks in Canadian real

estate by evaluating economic, financial and demographic factors in 15 housing markets.

The four factors to identify the level of risk in housing markets are overheating of demand, accelerating price growth, overvaluation of prices and overbuilding.

Media Headlines - April 27, 2016

Forty Year Career was 'Amazing Journey' says Retiring Fire Captain

Thursday , April 28 2016 | 7:40:24 AM

A special celebration took place at the West End Fire station in St. John's yesterday afternoon to mark the official retirement of Captain Rennie Perrin after 40 years.

Perrin's co-workers arranged to bring together all the crew from the old Central Fire Station whom he worked with over the years.

Perrin was overwhelmed with emotion.

<http://www.vocm.com/newsarticle.asp?mn=2&id=62206&latest=1>

VOCM 1pm News - Wed, April 27, 2016

SNOW CLEARING: Many commuters struggled to get around in metro this morning with the second major spring snowfall in the last week. ["Lynann Winsor", Deputy City Manager of Public Works]

CBC On The Go - Wed, April 27, 2016

FIRE CAPTAIN RENNIE PERRIN RETIRES: "Rennie Perrin" has been putting fires out for forty years. But today, the only fire he will be facing might be from the candles on a cake. Today is his last day on the job. He is retiring from the St. John's Regional Fire Department. ["Todd O'Brien", CBC News]

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FUTURE OF BAIRD COTTAGE DEFERRED: The future of the 109 year old home on New Cove Road in St. John's known as Baird Cottage was before St. John's council last night but it didn't stay there for long, the proposed demolition was deferred until next month. ["Sheilagh O'Leary", St. John's City Councillor]

SURPRISE FOR RETIRING FIRE CHIEF: A big surprise today for Captain "Rennie Perrin" of the St. John's Regional Fire Department who is retiring after forty years; Perrin's co-workers arranged to bring together all the crew from the old Central Fire Station that he worked with over the years for a big reunion. ["Cara Pardy", Worked dispatch years ago]

CBC Here & Now - Wed, April 27, 2016

PETITION SUPPORTS SAVING BAIRD'S COTTAGE: 1600 people have signed a petition asking St. John's Council to make an old home a Heritage property.

NTV Evening Newshour - Wed, April 27, 2016

HEAVY SNOWFALL: It's a bad memory now, but the snow meant delayed openings for schools and businesses today leaving residents to wonder where is the real spring? ["Lynnann Winsor", Deputy Manager of Public Works with the City of St. John's; "Unidentified", Area Residents]

<http://ntv.ca/another-blast-of-snow-leaves-residents-waiting-for-spring/>

PETITION TO SAVE BAIRD COTTAGE: St. John's City Councillor "Sheilagh O'Leary" presented a petition to save Baird's Cottage on New Cove Road. ["Wally Collins", St. John's City Councillor]



154 New Cove Road Petition

Kenessa Cutler to:



2016/04/28 11:02 AM

Hello Everyone,

For your information please see the attached regarding the above noted.

Meeting Type:	REGULAR MEETING	Council Directive#:	R2016-04-26/30
Meeting Date:	2016/04/26	Directive Status:	Active
Action Status:	Submit		

Directive

Required Fields

Directed To: Jason Sinyard Deputy City Manager, Planning, Development & Engineering

RE: Petition from NL Historic Trust re: Designation of Bryn Mawr as a Heritage Building

Type: DIRECTION

Type Desc: Councillor O'Leary tabled the attached petition from the NL Historic Trust which was signed by 1604 individuals. It is in relation to the previous Council Directive from April 11, 2016 also attached. You may wish to forward this petition to a future meeting of the Built Heritage Experts Panel.

Action: As required

Date: 2016/04/26

Signed by: Elaine Henley City Clerk

Status Comments:

Response Required: YES NO **Response Deadline:** 2016/05/30

Post Deadline Reminder: 3 (days) **cc Reminder:**

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Date of Meeting: 2016/04/26 **Type of Meeting:** Regular Special

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cc Department Heads:  Planning/Dev./Eng. (Minus Jason Sinyard)
Kenessa Cutler/Senior Legislative Assistant/City Clerk 

cc Standing Committees/Recording Secretaries:  

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cc Additional Persons:

Attachments

Attachments:

-  Petition from NL Historic Trust tabled by Councillor O'Leary.pdf
-  Council Directive Print.pdf

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Babij; Scott Winsor; Jessica Whelan; Ashley Murray; Arthur MacDonald; Kenessa Cutler

cc Recording Secretaries/Standing Committees:

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Posted Date: 2016/04/28 10:23 AM

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The Overcast: May 2

Call The Question on St. John's Built Heritage

By [Ed Riche](#) on May 2, 2016 [Latest Posts:](#) [News & Perspectives](#)

We've been debating the merits and methods of saving St. John's built heritage for as long as I can remember. It wasn't such a pressing concern in the worst of times because it wasn't worthwhile knocking the old stuff down.

Then came the slow semi-gentrification of the downtown and soon after that the fleeting oil boom. Greedy developers urgently needed desirable lots on which to erect flimsy McMansions, structures good for the life of their mortgage, water tight long enough for the shysters that slapped them together to pull a Nolan and Hall and vamoose.

Now that the boom has gone bust why is there any rush to demolish? The current owner of Bryn Mawr wants it leveled to make way for a new housing development. It's hard to know which is stupider, destroying a unique and historic structure that was built to standards inconceivable today or getting into the development racket and real estate market as it is about bottom out. Those proposing the destruction of Bryn Mawr should be sent a copy of the Provincial budget.

On the heels of Quinipiac and the bad faith dealings of Richmond Cottage's current captor the fate of the old Baird place has raised the volume of the concerns being voiced. There's been a call for more studies, consultation, "engagement" and round tables, in other words steady and continuing avoidance of the core issue, how to make such properties affordable to retain.

If those few edifices left around this old seaport deemed "heritage structures" are of benefit to the larger public, if cultural heritage has a value, if they help brand St. John's as an attraction, then the wider society has to contribute to their upkeep to a point it is worth more to maintain them than it is to knock them down. People in Cowan Heights will be on the hook as much as those on Gower Street.

The only realistic tool the city has is to grant tax holidays or a system where the cost of the preservation of features can be deducted against property tax. Piling on regulations will

discourage people from buying and maintaining the properties, dilly dallying while musing about options will encourage those on the fence to expedite demolition. Call the question.

Perhaps St. John's doesn't value its built heritage enough to provide one group of citizens, the owners of those properties, a break and it can finally be scrubbed from the agenda. But please, please, please decide the fundamental question once and for all. If St. John's wishes to maintain it they have to pay for it, otherwise it is the business of the deed holder alone. No more meetings. No more half-arsed, mealy mouthed resolutions before City Council, enough with the f*cking committees. Decide.

I'm as happy with an architecturally adventurous new building as another twee Victorian. But I've not seen much of the former and no one is coming here for the Boston Pizza.

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Planning Committee

Jason Sinyard to: Ken O'Brien, Arthur MacDonald

2016/05/10 03:35 PM

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Re: 154 New Cove 
Sylvester Crocker to: Jason Sinyard

2016/05/10 04:26 PM

History:

This message has been replied to.

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Re: 154 New Cove 📄
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2016/05/10 04:36 PM

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Ken O'Brien to: Jason Sinyard
Cc: Arthur MacDonald

2016/05/11 08:51 AM

Will do.

Ken

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154 New Cove Road----bl-law enactment
Sylvester Crocker to: Jason Sinyard

2016/05/11 04:14 PM

Jason---just spoke to Linda on this---times lines are go to next planning committee. If recommended for approval for heritage status then it would be tabled at the next council meeting there would be a notice of motion to enact a by-law, with the by law already written. he following week it would

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Planning and Development - May 19, 2016
Arthur MacDonald to: Ken O'Brien

2016/05/12 08:50 AM

Hi Ken,

From me for the Planning and Development Committee meeting - May 19th:

22-28 Livingstone Street - Townhouses
154 New Cove Road (previously circulated)

Please advise if you need any further information.
Regards,

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Re: Planning and Development - May 19, 2016 
Ken O'Brien to: Arthur MacDonald

2016/05/12 09:09 AM

Thx,

Ken

Arthur MacDonald

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154 New Cove Rd. (potential heritage designation) - to P&D Cmte., then Council

Ken O'Brien to: Jason Sinyard

2016/05/12 10:11 AM

Cc: Kathy Driscoll, Arthur MacDonald, Peter Mercer, Sylvester Crocker

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Planning Committee Meeting

Jason Sinyard to: Council_group, Kevin Breen, Cheryl L Mullett, Ken O'Brien

2016/05/13 04:24 PM

Good afternoon Mayor O'Keefe & Members of Council,

Please see attached letter wherein KMK and the Steinhauers have asked to attend next week's Planning Committee meeting as a delegation to speak with the Committee about 154 New Cove Road. I have spoken with Councillor Puddister and we agree this would be worthwhile. I've advised them accordingly.

This is provided for Council's information.

Regards

Jason

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Re: Planning and Devt. Cmte. May 19 - revised draft agenda - one delegation 

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2016/05/13 04:51 PM

Cc: Kathy Driscoll, Arthur MacDonald, Chris Small, Dave Wadden, Donna L Mullett,
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The Steinhauers will also form part of the delegation.

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Ken O'Brien

1. Minutes of previous meeting April 19. 2. DEL...

2016/05/13 04:38:00 PM

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Date: 2016/05/13 04:38 PM
Subject: Planning and Devt. Cmte. May 19 - revised draft agenda - one delegation

1. Minutes of previous meeting April 19.
2. DELEGATION - Kevin King and Justin Ladha of KMK Capital - 154 New Cove Rd. (Bryn Mawr or Baird Cottage) (Ward 4) - potential heritage designation - recommendation of the Built Heritage Experts Panel (deferred from previous P&D meeting).
3. 45 Blackmarsh Rd. (Ward 4) - CI Zone - text amendment for multiple dwelling units.
4. 22-28 Livingstone St. (Ward 2) - RD Zone - text amendment for townhousing lot standards.
5. 265 Brookfield Rd. (Ward 5) - rezoning from RRI and Rural (R) Zones to CI Zone for a 1-storey commercial building.
6. 80 Valleyview Rd. (Ward 5) - interpreting the zone line between R1 and Rural (R) Zones.
7. Report of the Built Heritage Experts Panel meeting of April 28, 2016.
8. Other matters.
9. Next meeting Tuesday, June 21, 2016.



New ATIPP File # - PB/383/2016

Howell, Brenda J. to: Kanessa Cutler (kcutler@stjohns.ca)

2016/05/16 08:44 AM

Hi Kanessa:

I just entered your ATIPP request in TRIM and the following is your file number:

PB/383/2016 – “All Council Minutes and documents provided to Council re” 154 New Cove Road.”

ADVISORY RESPONSE DATE: 5/30/2016

DUE DATE: 6/13/2016

Have a great day...

Brenda

Brenda Howell

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Atipp Request - 154 New Cove Road
Kenessa Cutler to: Ken O'Brien, Aggi Westcott
Cc: Jason Sinyard

2016/05/16 09:23 AM

Hi Jason/Ken/Aggi,

We just did a request for 154 New Cove Road a few weeks ago, So please just include documentation from the last month; April 13th to now (if there is anything).

We have the rest. Thanks!!



Memo to Department.doc

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**154 New Cove Road - to Council's Planning and Development Committee on
May 19** 📎

Ken O'Brien to: Fred Steinhauer

2016/05/17 03:41 PM

Cc: "Kevin King", "Justin Ladha", Jason Sinyard

Mr. Steinhauer, I understand that you will be attending the Planning and Development meeting at City Hall on Thursday, May 19, along with Mr. King and Mr. Ladha. We will welcome ye along at 12:30. I will send you the agenda under separate cover.

The meeting takes place on the 4th floor of City Hall in the City Clerk's area, Conference Room A. When you come into the waiting area, please let the staff know that you are here for the meeting. You will be invited to take a seat in the waiting area. When the committee is ready, one of the members will come out to bring ye in.

I spoke with Mr. Ladha about this today. Councillor Lane received a request from Grant Genova of the NL Historic Trust to speak with the committee. He asked that Mr. Genova be invited in first, so he will come at 12:15, then we will have ye in at 12:30.

The committee's meetings are open to the public, including the news media. Anyone there as an observer can observe but cannot speak at the meeting, ask questions, or participate in any way. Only delegations such as yourselves can speak and participate.

If you have any questions, I am available at your convenience.

Regards,

Ken O'Brien

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Re: 154 New Cove Road 
Arthur MacDonald to: Donna L Mullett
Cc: Kathy Driscoll

2016/05/17 03:56 PM

Thank you all.

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From: Donna L Mullett/CSJ
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Cc: Arthur MacDonald/CSJ@CSJ
Date: 2016/05/17 03:42 PM
Subject: 154 New Cove Road

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VOCM Morning Show - Thu, May 19, 2016

BAIRD COTTAGE MAY RECEIVE HERITAGE DESIGNATION: The NL Historic Trust are watching a possible new development in the story surrounding Bryn Mawr or Baird Cottage. The stately house sits on a property of about seven acres on New Cove and Portugal Cove Roads. Spokesman "Cory Thorne" says they have learned a major developer is set to respond to a request from City Council to consider Heritage designation for the home on behalf of the home's owners. Heritage advocates claim a purchase agreement has been agreed to contingent on the house being torn down.

CBC - St. John's housing market to cool for 2 years, CMHC predicts

Homeowners in St. John's can expect the value of their real estate to fall over the next two years, according to new research by the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation.

<http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/newfoundland-labrador/housing-market-cooling-stjohns-2016-2017-1.3588137>

Parkway parking crunch: Park-and-ride pitched to solve problems in St. John's

Gerry Colbert, a former chair of the St. John's Transportation Commission, says a park-and-ride service in the city would solve traffic problems and improve public access to transit. Colbert, who headed up the commission during his time on city council, said hopes to see a large lot of land on Blackmarsh Road, near Columbus Drive, paved into a parking lot.

<http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/newfoundland-labrador/former-councillor-pitches-park-and-ride-1.3586510>

Media Headlines - May 18, 2016

VOCM NL Today - Wed, May 18, 2016

WHALE SIGHTING GOOD SIGN OF CLEANER WATER IN ST. JOHN'S HARBOUR: A whale researcher at DFO is talking about recent sightings of a humpback whale in St. John's Harbour. He says it is a positive sign. The rare incident got quite a bit of attention on social media over the weekend, with many remarking they had never heard of a whale in the harbour before. St. John's Harbour was once notorious for its bubble of sewage and had built a reputation as heavily polluted, but things appear to be changing since the new sewage treatment plant came online back in 2009. ["Jack Lawson", DFO Whale Researcher]

CBC On The Go - Wed, May 18, 2016

FORMER CITY COUNCILLOR WANTS PARK & RIDE FOR ST. JOHN'S: A St. John's businessman is proposing that a park & ride system to the area around MUN, the Health Sciences, the CBC, the Confederation Building, and the College of the North Atlantic would help solve some of the city's parking problems. It might also relieve some of our parking congestion,

as well. "Gerry Colbert" is a former City of St. John's Councillor. He deals in real estate these days. He says he has just the piece of land needed for the park & ride he has in mind. It's located on Blackmarsh Road.

CBC Here & Now - Wed, May 18, 2016

FORMER CITY COUNCILLOR WANTS PARK & RIDE FOR ST. JOHN'S: A former St. John's City Councillor is pitching a park & ride in the west end of St. John's. ["Gerry Colbert", Former Head of St. John's Transportation Committee]



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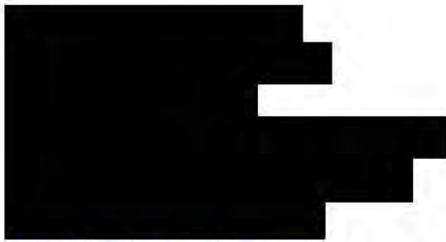
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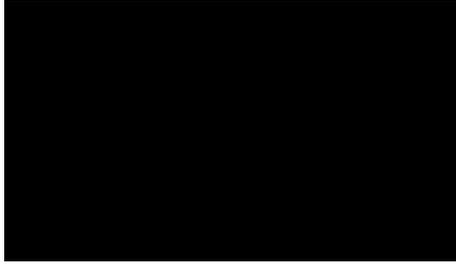
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Arthur MacDonald to: Ken O'Brien

2016/05/20 09:07 AM

Hi Ken,

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From: Kelly Butler/CSJ
To: Arthur MacDonald/CSJ@CSJ
Date: 2016/05/19 04:45 PM
Subject: Re: Fw: Heritage Designation By-law - City of St. John's Act

Hi Arthur:

Cheryl forwarded me your email below.

The Legal Department is responsible for by-laws, so the only thing you need to do is advise us when you need a by-law prepared. We will handle the preparation, numbering and gazetting on our end.

With respect to 154 New Cove Road, I already have the Notice of Motion and the By-Law prepared for Council. Once they have passed it, I will look after having it gazetted and let you know when it's done.

As for 55 Rennie's Mill Road, I wasn't aware that any such by-law was passed. I found the Council Directive but the Legal Department wasn't copied on it, which explains why we weren't notified. Regardless, I'll also look after having that by-law numbered and gazetted.

Once the gazetting has taken place, I'll update by-law section of the City's website as well.

In the meantime, if you have any questions, please feel free to give me a call.

Kelly

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To: Cheryl L Mullett/CSJ@CSJ, Andrew Woodland/CSJ@CSJ
Date: 2016/05/19 02:40 PM
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Hi Cheryl and Andrew,

In keeping with Section 31 of the City's Act, can you forward an example of the Gazette Notice and a copy of the ad for the newspaper that we use for publication of the notice of designating a Municipal Heritage Building?

As mentioned today, Andrew noted that the designation of 154 New Cove Road needs to be done within the 90 day period, if approved by Council on May 24. Please note that I am away from May 24th to May 30th.

Also, I believe, we need to do one for 55 Rennie's Mill Road, which was approved by Council on April 26, 2016. We also need a By-law number and an amendment number, I believe.

Does Legal usually take care of these notices?

Please advise,

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VOCM - Debate Hits Council Ahead of Final Baird Cottage Vote

Thursday , May 19 2016 | 6:25:18 PM

The planning committee of council is unanimous that a unique house on New Cove Road be deemed a heritage structure. However, developers who want to rip it down say it will cost \$4-5-million to repair. VOCM's Brian Madore reports.

Baird Cottage is over a hundred years old and was once a marvel of a house, but it has fallen into disrepair and will require significant upgrades according to KMK Capital. They want to demolish the house and build 28 new homes on the 3.5 acres of prime real estate. The owner, 81-year-old Mildred Steinhauer, now lives elsewhere.

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VOCM Morning News - Fri, May 20, 2016

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You Guys Rock!

Bonnie Andrews to: citycouncil@stjohns.ca

Please respond to Bonnie Andrews

2016/05/20 10:03 AM

Hello Councillors,

I'm reading about yesterday's wonderful vote in favour of heritage designation for Bryn Mawr and I'm so happy I'm in tears.

If you do the same on Tuesday, I'll dance in the street.

I love you.

Bonnie Andrews



PS: Just wonderful news from Kevin King. The twists life can take!



154 New Cove Road

Justin Ladha to: Jason Sinyard, 'kobrien@stjohns.ca', Kevin Breen, cmullett@stjohns.ca

2016/05/20 11:02 AM

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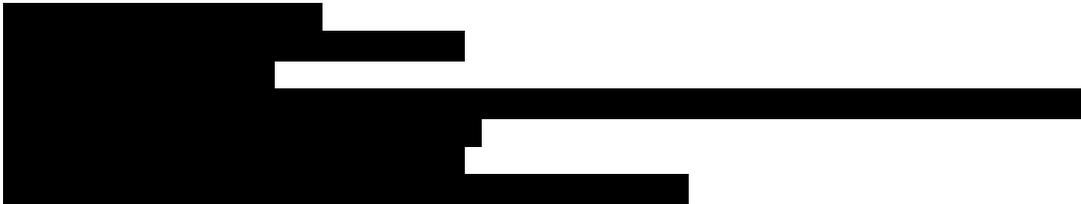
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Letter re 154 New Cove Road dated May 19, 2016.pdf



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Re: Fwd: 154 New Cove Road 

Jason Sinyard to: Ron Ellsworth

Cc: Kevin Breen

2016/05/20 11:59 AM

History: This message has been replied to.

Ron

We do not require power/water to be reinstated. In fact, if a house is vacant for more than 90 days we can require power to be disconnected for safety reasons. There was an example where someone got in a vacant building and caused an electrical fire. We would require the building to be sealed off and maintained in accordance with minimum property standard by-law.

Jason

Jason Sinyard, P.Eng., MBA
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Ron Ellsworth

[If council designates what's next for this property...](#)

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Subject: Fwd: 154 New Cove Road

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Power and water are cut, do we have the power/authority to have that reinstated and the property maintained to a level which will preserve the property? To avoid another shaw street issue .

Thanks

Sent from my iPhone

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Mayor, Deputy Mayor and Councilors,

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As per our conversation here is a PDF version of the letter.

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Bryn Mawr vote
Maria Lear to: City Council all

2016/05/20 12:30 PM

Good afternoon Mayor, Deputy Mayor & all Councillors,

I am writing today to commend Councillors Breen, Galgay, Hann, Lane, O'Leary, Puddister & Tilley for voting in favor of designating 154 New Cove Road a Municipal Heritage Structure as recommended by the *Planning & Development Standing Committee*.

I hope that this recommendation is recognized by all of Council as positive step in preserving our built heritage, a move forward in the right direction especially when involving new developments & is upheld by the majority vote within an upcoming Council meeting.

Thank you.

Regards,
Maria Lear

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Kevin King" [REDACTED]
To: "Dennis O'Keefe (dokeefe@stjohns.ca)" <dokeefe@stjohns.ca>, "Ron Ellsworth (rellsworth@stjohns.ca)" <rellsworth@stjohns.ca>, "Art Puddistler (apuddister@stjohns.ca)" <apuddister@stjohns.ca>, "Bruce Tilley (btilley@stjohns.ca)" <btilley@stjohns.ca>, "dbreen@stjohns.ca" <dbreen@stjohns.ca>, "Dave Lane (dlane@stjohns.ca)" <dlane@stjohns.ca>, "Jonathan Galgay (jgalgay@stjohns.ca)" <jgalgay@stjohns.ca>, "Sandy Hickman (shickman@stjohns.ca)" <shickman@stjohns.ca>, "thann@stjohns.ca" <thann@stjohns.ca>, "wcollins@stjohns.ca" <wcollins@stjohns.ca>, "soleary@stjohns.ca" <soleary@stjohns.ca>
Subject: 154 New Cove Road

Mayor, Deputy Mayor and Councilors,

Please see attached letter that I am forwarding on behalf of Fred and Mildred Steinhauer.

We will be attempting to contact each of you over the next few days to discuss.

Regards,

Kevin King, CPA, CA
President
KMK Capital Inc.

[REDACTED]

www.kmkcapital.ca

[attachment "Letter re 154 New Cove Road dated May 19, 2016.pdf"
deleted by Jason Sinyard/CSJ]



Re: You Guys Rock!
Sheilagh O'Leary to: Bonnie Andrews

2016/05/20 01:40 PM

Bonnie,

Thank you for email. Kevin King, however, is likely not supportive as he represents the intent of the demo order.

Tuesday is the real deal.

Thanks

Sheilagh

Sent from my iPad

On May 20, 2016, at 10:03 AM, Bonnie Andrews [REDACTED] > wrote:

Hello Councillors,

I'm reading about yesterday's wonderful vote in favour of heritage designation for Bryn Mawr and I'm so happy I'm in tears.

If you do the same on Tuesday, I'll dance in the street.

I love you.

Bonnie Andrews
[REDACTED]

PS: Just wonderful news from Kevin King. The twists life can take!



RE: The Latest from City Hall
Gerry Allan to: Councillor Dave Lane
Sent by: [REDACTED]

2016/05/20 02:25 PM

History: This message has been replied to.

Hi Dave,

Just reading about efforts regarding Richmond Cottage and Baird Cottage.

In the paper today it refers to KMK on behalf of Mrs Steinhauer. Mrs Steinhauer has moved . Who really owns this property. Is it KMK or Mrs Steinhauer. I was told by others that the property was sold. There has also been talk around town of three high rise properties going on this property.

Anyway I think council should see who actually owns the property and explore conditions of sale which may incur or not incur,liability for the city.

Does a KMK affiliate also own Richmond Cottage?

Former councils should really take some blame for Richmond Cottage fiasco in allowing a cul de sac right up to the back door. If a property is to be preserved as condition of subdivision then the building department should be empowered to inspect the older property development with timelines and financial requirements implemented as a condition of permit.

Councillors need to visit sites and be engaged in this process. The real problem and councils real problem in my opinion is in allowing subdivision or change of zoning of historic properties. If properties weren't subdivided they may not have the same appeal to developers.

Anyway check out ownership and bills of sale so that you know who you are dealing with would be my recommendation.

Thanks

Gerry Allan

Subject: The Latest from City Hall

From: dlane@stjohns.ca

To: [REDACTED]

Date: Wed, 9 Dec 2015 19:31:52 +0000

Apply for advisory committees and get ready for the budget.

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Things are happening...

Hi Gerry,
There are some things "in the hopper" at City

Hall. It's a long-ish message, so here's a table of contents:

- [Apply for Advisory Committees!](#)
- [The Budget is Coming!](#)
- [No Cycling Committee Update! \(...yet\)](#)
- [Thank You, Overcast Readers!](#)

Apply for Advisory Committees!

You may have heard that the City has done a full review and "refresh" of all its advisory committees.

This was an opportunity to update and standardize our terms of reference and adopt some best practices from other municipalities.

Now that the review is complete, the committees have been "reset" and we're accepting applications for ALL members' seats. Choose your application form below and **please apply to as many as you wish!**

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Advisory Committees

- [Municipal Advisory Committee on Youth \(MACY\)](#)
- [Arts and Culture Advisory Committee](#)
- [Downtown Advisory Committee](#)
- [Environmental Advisory Committee](#)
- [Accessibility and Inclusion Advisory Committee](#)
- [Seniors Advisory Committee](#)

Experts Panels

- [Animal Care and Control Experts Panel](#)
- [Built Heritage Experts Panel](#)

Working Groups

- [Affordable Housing Working Group](#)
- [Paratransit Working Group](#)

The Budget is Coming!

Council will announce and vote on the 2016 - 2018 budget this Monday, December 14, 2015.

There has been discussion in the media lately about a possible mil rate increase and whether or not a councillor should have "leaked" that information.

On the Web

[Why Aren't We Talking About the City's Budget?](#)

[Citizen-Council Collaborations are Reimagining the City](#)

[The Four Sisters and the Stars of Heritage Restoration](#)

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All this talk about leaking and lockdowns has compelled me to [explain what's going on from my perspective](#).

I don't like staying "mum" about an issue that's so important to residents, but there's a rationale.

[Click here to read my post about budget "lockdown"](#)

I'll have more to say about the budget on Monday, when we can finally dig into the details!

No Cycling Committee Update! (...yet)

I know, that's a pretty lacklustre sub-heading. But it's my job to keep you posted about our upcoming Cycling Master Plan Committee, and, well that's the update!

Ok, there's more to it than that: our staff have received a lot of applications (that's great!) and are currently going through the selection process.

It's taking a bit longer than I'd like, but with a big budget process and a hefty revision of our development regulations ongoing, our key staff have been busy.

Rest assured I'll let you know as soon as an announcement is made about membership!

Thank You, Overcast Readers!

Something pretty special happened this month: I was voted "[Best Local Politician](#)" by reader of The Overcast newspaper.

This is such an honour, and very humbling. At first I was just filled with emotion, but something more important quickly began to stir inside: a sense of duty.

I have always taken my job as your councillor

very seriously, but this award has been very motivating. I will work harder than ever to deserve this honour.

Thanks again, and please continue to share your advice and input as we move into this second half of my (first) term!

What's Next?

With the budget looming and the advisory committees applications ongoing, I will be in touch again shortly to give you my take on both.

Talk soon,
Dave

p.s. The advisory committees are a very important way for us to get input on important policy decisions. Please apply for as many of the [Advisory Committees](#), [Experts Panels](#), or [Working Groups](#) as you want!

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Homeowner Speaks Out on Heritage Designation
Kelly Maguire to: Council_group, Executives
Cc: Susan Bonnell

2016/05/20 04:21 PM

FYI

<http://www.vocm.com/newsarticle.asp?mn=2&ID=62719>

Homeowner Speaks Out on Heritage Designation

Friday , May 20 2016 | 4:05:53 PM

The son of the owner of Baird Cottage is defending his family's position on an application to tear down the stately home on New Cove Road in the capital city. The city's planning committee has unanimously decided to have her home designated a heritage structure, and they're currently examining the legal implications of doing so. VOCM's Linda Swain has more.

Fred Steinhauer says his mother is 81 years old and had to make hard decisions on what to do with the house which he says had become a financial and structural burden.

He says they tried to keep the transaction with a local developer a private family matter, but they felt it was time to share their reasoning behind having it demolished now that it has become a public news story.

He says the house is not in a heritage zone and does not have a municipal heritage designation, meaning there is nothing to prevent it from being demolished.

The house has been on a list of properties for considered heritage designation for nearly 40 years, but the city failed to act. Steinhauer says his mother was approached by the city in 2004 to allow heritage designation for the house, but she declined, given that it would place restrictions on her private property and investment.

He says now, and with no prior warning, the city is contemplating unilaterally placing a heritage designation on the home after an agreement to sell the property had been signed. He says that will force his family to sue the city for loss of property value.

He says all this could have been avoided had the city had a clear policy on heritage. He concludes by saying his mother should not have to bear the cost for that lack of planning.



follow-up Baird Cottage

Marion Atkinson to: Dennis O'Keefe, Danny Breen

2016/05/20 08:37 PM

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Thank you,



St. John's, NL
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Re: follow-up Baird Cottage
Dennis O'Keefe to: Marion Atkinson
Cc: Danny Breen

2016/05/20 08:44 PM

Marion
Thanks !
Dennis

Sent from my iPhone

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Marian Atkinso |





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Thank you,
Marian Atkinson





Baird Cottage

Danny Breen to: Jason Sinyard

Cc: Kevin Breen, Cheryl L Mullett, Dennis O'Keefe

2016/05/21 01:14 PM

I hope everyone is enjoying this beautiful day!!!

Mayor O'Keefe and I were discussing this issue today and we were unclear on one point.

If Baird Cottage is not given heritage status can we refuse the demolition permit? If we do what are the risks in doing so. Can we delay issuing a demolition permit until they submit a development plan that's acceptable to Council?

Thanks,

Sent from my iPhone

Danny Breen
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City of St. John's, NL
Office (709) 576-2332
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Re: 154 New Cove Road
Dennis O'Keefe to: Kevin King

2016/05/22 08:49 PM

Kevin

Thanks for the email! Regards

Dennis

Sent from my iPhone

> On May 19, 2016, at 7:12 PM, Kevin King [REDACTED] > wrote:
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> Mayor, Deputy Mayor and Councilors,
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> President
> KMK Capital Inc.

[REDACTED]

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> www.kmkcapital.ca
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> <Letter re 154 New Cove Road dated May 19, 2016.pdf>



Re: Baird Cottage
Danny Breen to: Scott

2016/05/23 10:13 AM

Thanks Scott I appreciate your comments. I agree that taxpayers shouldn't buy or pay to maintain this or other private property.

I don't believe though that developers should be able to tear down provincially designated heritage properties without consideration to redeveloping the property.

This is a tricky issue but I won't be voting to purchase the property but I still have not decided whether to vote to give it heritage status to force the developer to work harder to save the building. If we don't deal with this now I fear that other properties will be at risk in the future.

Thanks again,

Sent from my iPhone

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> On May 23, 2016, at 10:01 AM, Scott <[REDACTED]>
>
> Mr Breen
>
> I just wanted to touch base with you regarding the vote for Baird Cottage being designated as having Heritage status
>
> If the owners have received funding from the city to help them maintain their home and keep it up then they should not be able to have personal gain from that.
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> If they have not, I as a taxpayer do not want the burden of having to maintain that property. The city's current financial position combined with a brutal provincial budget has put enough strain on the common taxpayer and I do not support putting money into this cause
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> I just wanted communicate that to you before the vote tomorrow night
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> Thank You
>
> Scott Wilkins
>
> Sent from Scott's iPhone



Bryn Mawr

dominic white

to: dokeefe, rellsworth, dbreen, jgalgay, btilley,
soleary, wcollins, thann, shickman, dlane,
apuddister

2016/05/23 11:03 AM

Good morning,

Over the course of this weekend I've been reading the recent news stories about "Bryn Mawr". Our city has so much value in its built heritage I generally support heritage designation, and preservation in all its forms.

In the case of "Bryn Mawr" I can't support its designation. The fact CBC reported that the property has been "under consideration" for designation since 1977 is unbelievable, and a deciding factor in my opinion regard the potential designation. A vote to designate and "save" "Bryn Mawr" is not a just a vote about the fate of that property, it's an affirmation that again our city and its leadership has failed us by not having comprehensive plans regarding heritage in all its forms and again had a totally failure to identify and understand heritage in our built landscape. We need only to think back to "Quinnipiac", or possibly look to "Richmond Cottage" after "Bryn Mawr" to see the systemic problem our city has with identify and preserving its built heritage. We need council to focus on creating strong regulations without variation to end this madness. As a citizen concerned about heritage it seems like our city is in a cycle of too little too late.

Please reject the heritage designation of "Bryn Mawr" and focus on creating uniform regulations and a frame work so we are not this situation regarding individual property's again.

Sincerely,
Dominic

Dominic White





BRYN MAWR

STEPHEN WALTERS to: Danny Breen, Art Puddister, Jonathan Galgay, Dennis O'Keefe

2016/05/23 11:08 AM

Please respond to STEPHEN WALTERS

History: This message has been replied to.

Good day gentleman, I'm writing you concerning the ongoing controversy about the heritage status for the Bryn Mawr cottage. The city currently has no heritage guidelines for designating a property as heritage. How can the city arbitrarily designate a property as a heritage without any guidelines to follow. A short while ago, the city approved the demolition of a similar property in a more heritage area than New Cove Road. Develop the guidelines first. Don't put the cart before the horse.

Not only that who is going to pay for the restoration costs of the property? In this time of restraint I hope the city isn't even considering it. Who is going to reimburse the current property owner the difference in the lost property value? Again, the city? How much money do you think the taxpayers are willing to absorb?

My last comment is this, "how would you feel if this was your house and the city was going to tell you what was going to happen and how much it will end up costing you"? Put yourself in the other persons shoes before you make this decision that could cost the city a considerable amount of money.

Stephen Walters



Bryn Mawr - please support heritage designation

Emily Wolf to: Ron Ellsworth

Cc: Jeremy

2016/05/23 01:20 PM

History: This message has been replied to.

Your Worship:

We previously wrote asking you to support heritage designation for Bryn Mawr and oppose demolition of this historically and architecturally significant building. In advance of Tuesday's vote, we are again asking you to support this property's designation. Heritage buildings play a critical role in our City's sense of place and smart, heritage-centered development can be a catalyst for economic growth.

The owners of Bryn Mawr have asserted that heritage designation would hamper their ability to sell the property. This is not the case; the property has never been for sale on the open market. The property's owners are pro-demolition simply because they want to maximize their own profit at the expense of every other concern. Demolition should be viewed a last resort, not the first solution. It is the path of least resistance.

Heritage conservation and development are not antithetical. Sophisticated developers worldwide are turning to the adaptive reuse of historic structures to add value to their projects. People are increasingly interested in living, working, and socializing in settings that maintain a sense of authenticity and connection to the surrounding community and culture. Bryn Mawr is an ideal candidate for adaptive reuse and/or heritage-centered redevelopment.

In a previous Council meeting during which light standards in the new Galway development were discussed, you made a comment to the effect of, "the City of St. John's wants to avoid cookie cutter developments." If Bryn Mawr is demolished, another cookie cutter development is slated to take its place.

We further note that Bryn Mawr has a substantial connection to World War I. It was home to the Hon. Alexander Boyd Baird, who joined the Royal Newfoundland Regiment in September 1915 at the age of 24. Lieutenant Baird, regimental number 1803, fought in the Battle of the Somme in October 1916 and the Battle of Arras in April 1917, where he was taken as a prisoner of war and held until the end of the war in November 1918.

When Baird finally made his way back to Newfoundland in 1919, it was to Bryn Mawr – his family home – that he returned. As the province continues its centenary commemoration of the vital role that Newfoundlanders played in World War I, it is critical that we preserve the memory – and the places that hold the memory – of those who fought in the "the war to end all wars."

We urge you to make the right choice for our City and designate Bryn Mawr a municipal heritage building.

Sincerely,

Emily Wolf and Jeremy Thoms Hetzel

[REDACTED]

St. John's, NL A1A 0L8

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]



Re: BRYN MAWR

Art Puddister to: STEPHEN WALTERS

Cc: Danny Breen, Jonathan Galgay, Dennis O'Keefe

2016/05/23 02:35 PM

Thank you for your e mail,
Art Puddister

Sent from my iPad

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Baird Cottage

Claire Warren

Danny Breen, shickman, btiley, dokeefe,
rellsworth, jgalgay, soleary, wcollins, thann,
dlane, apuddister

2016/05/23 07:18 PM

Mayor and Councillors,

This is an open letter to you all in regards to the Baird Cottage.

I understand we need to preserve the old heritage buildings BUT that should be done before people have made arrangements to sell the property!

In a story by VOXM, the son it says that the home was on a list of possible homes for 40 years and the city did not act. Now that the home is about to be sold YOU PEOPLE want to make it a heritage home!!!!

If you pressure the matter it will go to court and from what I read it could cost 4 to 5 million dollars! Who do you think will pay that money?? **Are you out of your pockets, or will you do the obvious and make the TAX PAYERS PAY????? What is next? A big fat raise in your salary's?????**

YOU people have already RAIZED OUR TAXES, TOOK AWAY BULK GARBAGE AS WELL AS OTHER THINGS AND ALSO LAID OFF STAFF. NOW YOU WANT US TAX PAYERS TO PAY MILLIONS FOR A DAM HOUSE YOU SHOULD HAVE LOOKED AT YEARS AGO!!!!!!!!!! This poor 81-year-old lady should never have to deal with this at her age.

Between the City's extra taxes and stupidity in spending our tax dollars and the Provincial Governments ridiculous new budget you are all forcing people to leave the province. I and many others implore you all to grab a brain and let this property go and start looking at property's BEFORE people want to sell them so it does not cost the tax payers.

With all due respect I understand the meaning behind this but this will infuriate tax payers to no end if we end up paying for this house and can not afford to fix up our own homes because of all the tax increases.

Please think about this before you vote Monday.

Your Sincerely,

Claire Warren



Re: 154 New Cove Road
Dennis O'Keefe to: Kevin King

2016/05/23 08:40 PM

Kevin

Thanks for your email. Call me anytime. 685 5657 or at home 364 1919.

Sent from my iPhone

> On May 23, 2016, at 6:58 PM, Kevin King <Kevin.King@kmkcapital.ca> wrote:

>

> Regards,



Baird Cottage

Judy Mitchell to: rellsworth

Cc: Danny Breen, dokeefe, shickman, apuddister, Jonathan Galgay

2016/05/23 09:46 PM

Good evening

I just listened to you on VOCM, job well done! I do not wish to pay any more taxes to support these heritage structures, I have just paid \$30 to have an old washer removed which I consider as \$30 extra in taxes. Being a senior I do not get any breaks on my taxes and I can tell you there is absolutely no wiggle room , in my budget.

I do not think the city should get financially involved you have made it very clear that if we block this we will be left with a large bill, this would in my mind be irresponsible .you will note I have cc this to other councillors so they are aware I am one taxpayer that am against any vote that will cost taxpayers money .

Judy L Mitchell

Sent from my iPad



154 New Cove Rd

Fred Steinhauer to: dlane

Cc: dokeefe, rellsworth, apuddister, btilley, dbreen, jgalgay, shickman,
thann, soleary

2016/05/23 11:20 PM

Councillor Dave Lane

Please see the attached document in regards on your comments on social media.

Thanks

Fred Steinhauer

Sent from my Samsung device over Bell's LTE network.



Email draft for Dave Lane May 23 2016 Fred's comments (clean.docx



154 New Cove RD

Fred Steinhauer to: dokeefe

2016/05/24 11:25 AM

Cc: rellsworth, apuddister, btilley, dbreen, dlane, jgalgay, shickman,
thann, wcollins, soleary

History: This message has been replied to.

Mayor Dennis O'keefe and Councilors,

Please review the attached document.

Thanks

Fred Steinhauer



Email to Councilors May 24 2016.pdf

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Aggi Westcott	Elaine/Karen Further to my email to Kenessa on...	2016/05/20 01:34:30 PM
Jason Sinyard	Jason -----	2016/05/19 04:19:30 PM

From: Jason Sinyard/CSJ
To: Aggi Westcott/CSJ@CSJ, Dave Wadden/CSJ@CSJ, Gerard Doran/CSJ@CSJ, Sylvester Crocker/CSJ@CSJ
Date: 2016/05/19 04:19 PM
Subject: Fw: 154 New Cove Road - Access Request

Jason

Jason Sinyard, P.Eng., MBA
Deputy City Manager
Planning, Development & Engineering
City of St. John's

----- Forwarded by Jason Sinyard/CSJ on 2016/05/19 04:19 PM -----

From: [REDACTED]
To: City Clerk and Council <cityclerk@stjohns.ca>, Jason Sinyard <JSinyard@stjohns.ca>, Karen Chafe <KChafe@stjohns.ca>
Date: 2016/05/19 04:16 PM
Subject: 154 New Cove Road - Access Request

Dear Ms. Henley,

I write further to my access for information request relating to Bryn Mawr (copy attached). The City responded to the request and released records to me on April 12 and 13, 2016.

I had not understood that any materials were being withheld, however, today I attended the Standing Planning committee meeting where reference was made to a number of documents which were not disclosed. These included a contingent purchase and sale agreement relating to 154 New Cove Road and a concept plan submitted in June of 2015 relating to the possible re-development of the site. I would appreciate receiving copies of those documents, as well as any additional documents relating to 154 New Cove Road that were missed during the original disclosure.

Thank you,

[REDACTED]



Re: Fw: 154 New Cove Road - Access Request 📄

Gerard Doran to: Aggi Westcott

2016/05/24 02:00 PM

Cc: Jason Sinyard, Ken O'Brien, Sylvester Crocker, Mike Cantwell,
Garrett Donaher

Aggie,

There may be some information of the development concept plan with staff. I believe that belongs to the developer KMK. I don't have a copy. There is no application or file on this subdivision proposal. There is an application to demolish the house, INT1600026.

Gerard Doran
Development Supervisor
Department of Planning, Development and Engineering
City of St. John's
576-8452
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Aggi Westcott

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Jason

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----- Forwarded by Jason Sinyard/CSJ on 2016/05/19 04:19 PM -----

From: [REDACTED]
Date: 2016/05/19 04:16 PM
Subject: 154 New Cove Road - Access Request

Dear Ms. Henley,

I write further to my access for information request relating to Bryn Mawr (copy attached). The City responded to the request and released records to me on April 12 and 13, 2016.

I had not understood that any materials were being withheld, however, today I attended the Standing Planning committee meeting where reference was made to a number of documents which were not disclosed. These included a contingent purchase and sale agreement relating to 154 New Cove Road and a concept plan submitted in June of 2015 relating to the possible re-development of the site. I would appreciate receiving copies of those documents, as well as any additional documents relating to 154 New Cove Road that were missed during the original disclosure.

Thank you,

[REDACTED]



Fw: 154 New Cove Road - Access Request

Aggi Westcott to: Karen Chafe

Cc: Jason Sinyard, Ken O'Brien, Sylvester Crocker, Mike Cantwell

2016/05/24 02:17 PM

Karen,
please see Gerard's email.

Again, all information we had in MS Govern is in J:Drive/Archives 2/154 New Cove Road/Govern.

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Aggie,

There may be some information of the development concept plan with staff. I believe that belongs to the developer KMK. I don't have a copy. There is no application or file on this subdivision proposal. There is an application to demolish the house, INT1600026.

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Re: 154 New Cove RD

Dave Lane to: Fred Steinhauer

Dennis O'Keefe, Ron Ellsworth, Art Puddister, Bruce Tilley, Danny
Cc: Breen, Jonathan Galgay, Sandy Hickman, Tom Hann, Wally Collins,
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2016/05/24 02:58 PM

Thanks for this information, Fred

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On May 24, 2016, at 11:25, Fred Steinhauer <freds@nl.rogers.com> wrote:

Mayor Dennis O'keefe and Councilors,

Please review the attached document.

Thanks

Fred Steinhauer

<Email to Councilors May 24 2016.pdf>



Re: Planning and Devt. Cmte report_May 19#2, 2016.doc 

Ken O'Brien to: Karen Chafe

Cc: Art Puddister, Jason Sinyard, Kathy Driscoll

2016/05/26 10:23 AM

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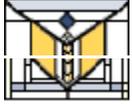
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2016/05/26 11:31 AM

Ken - the New Cove Road item was extracted from this second P&D report as it was discussed at last week's meeting. New Cove will now come up under Business Arising as per Councillor PUddister's Notice of Motion given last week.

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Fwd: Shared UK and Newfoundland heritage
Michael Holden to: Dave Lane

2016/05/26 12:31 PM

History:

This message has been replied to.

Hi Dave,

Thanks so much for you vote and persuading other councilors to vote to save Bryn mawr and grant it the heritage protection that it deserves! This is one of Newfoundland's castles and it needs to be protected for future generations! I still see the mayor with his head in the sand! Anyway, I was hoping that this letter would come before the vote but see below what is happening on the other side of the pond! There is so much to do! I hope to have the bbc report on this so that other citizens in the commonwealth will get to see what is happening! The British are very protective of their heritage and barely anything can be demolished!

Speak soon

Michael

Ps the next goal is to find a uk buyer for Richmond Manor saving a house built before Canada was founded!

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From: "James Gray" [REDACTED]

Date: Thu, May 26, 2016 at 7:17 AM -0700

Subject: Shared UK and Newfoundland heritage

To: "andrew.rosindell.mp@parliament.uk" [REDACTED]

Dear Mr Rosindell

We have met on a couple of occasions in my public affairs role at Crossrail, most recently at the breakthrough event at Farringdon last year; however on this occasion I am writing on behalf of concerned friends in St.John's - Newfoundland, Canada - and as a British person desperate to save important shared Newfoundland and British heritage which is under threat from developers.

As the Chair of the British-Canada All-Party Parliamentary Group I would be very grateful if you could meet to discuss this important issue. In particular I would keen to discuss how the UK Parliament and other institutions could support colleagues in St John's to prevent the on-going dismantling and destruction of important heritage sites, built by the British and Newfoundlanders, at the hands of modern developers.

As I am sure you know, Newfoundland was Britain's oldest colony (claimed in 1583 by Sir Humphrey Gilbert) and its residents still hold a very close affinity to the UK to this day. St George's day remains a national holiday, you will see Union Flags flown all over the Island and they even celebrate Guy Fawkes night (the only place outside the UK to do

so!). Newfoundlanders have joined the British army, not the Canadian army, at our most desperate times in need such as on the Somme and most recently in WWII to fight overseas. It finally became the 10th Province of Canada 1949 (by only 51% of vote – in a controversial referendum... which I am sure you are familiar with current events today!). Newfoundlanders are very proud of their British (And Irish) heritage, including the many and varied beautiful historic buildings and architecture that are the beloved symbols of their links to the UK.

However, this is now very much under threat from a swathe of unsympathetic property developers, often with no ties to the island, driven by increasing land prices and profit, with a worrying lack of respect or understanding of the history and heritage they are destroying.

I include at the end of this email some examples of recent buildings that have not been saved. This includes Quinipiac, which was built in 1885 and demolished March 2015. The house belonged to Frederick Emerson who is widely recognised as one of Newfoundland's unofficial cultural ambassadors who shaped Newfoundland's image internationally, as the article states. The house was in pristine condition, yet demolished with chandeliers, carpets, oak, marble fireplaces in place! I don't think anyone actually believed that this would ever be torn down. Developer would not even let the Newfoundland and Labrador Historic Trust into house to see and document what would be lost.

I can assure you there are many more examples of buildings that it is also too late to save and it is no exaggeration to describe these building as lost treasures. They provided an important link between the past and the present, held huge cultural value and were at the heart of a vitally important tourist industry that so many rely on for their income and cultural learning. There are even more examples of sites that we are unlikely to save unless this trend for prioritising the short term, quick profit of developers' needs over the cultural and historic value of these buildings is not given a fair consideration.

We have generally been very good at preserving our history in the UK and it is easy to take it for granted; yet planners in St John's are taking their own cultural heritage for granted and it will have such devastating effects on current and future generations. It is felt that central to this problem is a poor response from both the Mayor and City Council of St. John's, whose priorities lie elsewhere and a lack of legislative framework to protect historic buildings such as we have in the UK.

I would be very grateful if you could spare just a small amount of your time to discuss this issue and help protect the UK and Newfoundland's shared heritage. We have a large number of interested parties in this issue, so it would not become a huge drain on your time, but any support and advice you can offer would be very helpful indeed. I have a close friend from St John's visiting London who can provide an Islander's perspective who would be extremely grateful for your time too.

Yours sincerely

James Gray

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<http://www.odea.ca/25winter/25winter.htm>

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Richmond Cottage – built in 1848- due to be demolished in May 2017 (developer said they would try to sell it within one year but then placed black mold sign on structure)

<http://www.cbc.ca/beta/news/canada/newfoundland-labrador/historic-richmond-hill-cottage-gets-one-year-reprieve-1.3492913>

<http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/newfoundland-labrador/black-mould-st-john-s-heritage-1.3518166>

Bryn Mawr built in 1907 - -application to be demolished submitted. Listed property for 40 years but council can override this and grant demolition permit

<http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/newfoundland-labrador/heritage-buildings-demolish-bryn-mawr-1.3516311>

<http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/newfoundland-labrador/sheilagh-oleary-bryn-mawr-heritage-1.3498955>

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[Released from Quarantine] Thank you
Shannie Duff to: wcollins

2016/05/26 03:26 PM

Hi Wally,

Thank you so much for your support for the heritage designation for Bryn Mawr. Municipal support is so important for the protection of the built heritage. I am very pleased that Council sent an important message on Monday night that St. John's value does and respect its built heritage resources. .

You made a lot of common sense in your remarks, as you usually do. Under our present regulations it is feasible to rehabilitate this property for an adaptive reuse as apartments or condos or possibly as a mixed use office/residential Development still have a significant sub -division of this property for new homes.

The vote on Monday is a wonderful first step! Political will can work magic in getting results! I hope that The City can work with Kevin King to develop a new subdivision application that will include Bryn Mawr and be a win win for all.

Thanks again Wally. It was fun watching you all at work!



Re: Baird property
Sheilagh O'Leary to: william sheppard

2016/05/26 08:42 PM

Bill,

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Sheilagh
Ward 4

Sent from my iPhone

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Bill,

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Regards
Sheilagh

Sent from my iPhone

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Sheilagh

I appreciate the quick response but I am still confused. In cases like this I would think that some level of govt or other party would have to purchase this property from the owner. Who pays to purchase and who pays to upgrade? This could be a huge amount of money. in number 5 you mentioned partnerships. Is there anyone willing to step forward to pay this money? I guess this will require lobbying on someone's behalf. Can the city afford a lawsuit at this point in time? this could prove to be very costly and at the end of the day someone is going pay the lady for her property.

thanks

bill

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On May 27, 2016, at 12:11, Jerry Dick <jerry@heritagefoundation.ca> wrote:

Dave:

I know you are heading on vacation soon. I would like to touch base asap with you about next steps on Bryn Mawr. I have some media requests and thought it might be good to touch base with you before I discuss it publicly.



Jerry

Jerry Dick
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Heritage / Bryn Mawr
Dave Lane to: Dave Lane

2016/05/27 02:45 PM

Email to Council

Connect w/ Owner

We understand the situation, want to work with owner to find a solution

BHEP special meeting(s)

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Letter for 8 Councilors who have voted to designate 154 New Cove Road heritage

Art Puddistler (apuddister@stjohns.ca),
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2016/05/27 05:08 PM

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Please find attached a letter from KMK Capital with respect to your decisions to date regarding 154 New Cove Road. I have also copied the letter into the body of this email for your ease of reference. All other items referenced in the letter are attached.

May 27, 2016

City of St. John's
10 New Gower Street
P.O. Box 908
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Attention: Councilors Danny Breen, Jonathan Galgay, Sheilagh O'Leary, Wally Collins, Tom Hann, Sandy Hickman, Dave Lane and Art Puddister

Regarding: 154 New Cove Road heritage designation

Dear Council Members,

You have received considerable correspondence from Fred Steinhauer and his legal counsel on behalf of Mrs. Mildred Steinhauer. I thought it would be beneficial to send you a note about KMK Capital Inc.'s (KMK) involvement in this process and to highlight the impact of your actions on our company and the general population.

In the interest of having all correspondence in one place, attached is all of the correspondence that you have received on behalf of the Steinhauers since March 28, 2016. The attached clearly outlines the process from Mrs. Steinhauer's perspective together with the very negative impact of your

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The City has set a precedent by designating 154 New Cove Road as a heritage property against the will of the owner. In the interest of equity, are you going to force a heritage designation on the other homeowners on your list? We understand that could impact up to 100 more properties. Have you considered the impact this precedent will have on the lives of other people who live in homes that you deem to be of historical significance? I am a shareholder in the largest real estate company in St. John's. I can assure you I have heard from many disgruntled agents wondering about how this will impact the trading of older homes.

We understand the list for the homes of interest for heritage designation has been compiled for quite some time. Would we be remiss in suggesting that the list hasn't been released because of fear of the controversy it would create and the public outcry that may result from other homeowners while you were dealing with the issue at 154 New Cove Road?

Conclusion

As most of you know, our company has done a lot of quality development in St. John's over the past twenty years. We pride ourselves on being reasonable and we work hard to maintain a harmonious relationship with the City. While this is likely the most unreasonable situation we have seen, we still acted in the same manner by immediately offering to walk away from the transaction at 154 New Cove Road if the proponents of heritage had a better option, that included saving the house, and they were willing to buy the land for \$4,000,000. We would like to clarify that this offer was made as a compromise to help preserve heritage and to avoid litigation. The offer does not reflect the amount that will be pursued for damages in the event this case has to be litigated. Our offer was completely ignored and there hasn't been the courtesy of a response to any correspondence that was forwarded to the City in an effort to address this matter. The only response we saw was the use of excessive force by the City to the detriment of an individual taxpayer and a developer that has made great contributions to the infrastructure of St. John's.

If we are misinterpreting your actions and you do indeed have a plan that immediately pays the \$4,000,000 for the property, while at the same time preserving the heritage structure, then we commend you for your vision. If, on the other hand, you don't have a plan and you have taken the time to review the facts surrounding this matter in order to make a decision, then you must be aware that your actions are inflicting significant financial losses on Mrs. Steinhauer and our company. We assume that you will make the parties impacted by your actions whole financially as to do otherwise would be hypocritical.

Kevin King, CPA, CA
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Re: You Guys Rock!
Dave Lane to: Bonnie Andrews

2016/05/28 09:56 AM

Thanks for the note, Bonnie. I think we're moving in the right direction on built heritage. Our next step will have to be to convene with the owner and talk about solutions to restore and enhance the property.

Cheers,
Dave

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On May 20, 2016, at 10:03, Bonnie Andrews <bonnie@stjohns.ca> wrote:

Hello Councillors,
I'm reading about yesterday's wonderful vote in favour of heritage designation for Bryn Mawr and I'm so happy I'm in tears.
If you do the same on Tuesday, I'll dance in the street.
I love you.
Bonnie Andrews


PS: Just wonderful news from Kevin King. The twists life can take!



Re: The Latest from City Hall
Dave Lane to: Gerry Allan

2016/05/28 10:05 AM

Hi Gerry,

Thanks for this, I did read it but am only getting the chance to reply now.

To your question: Ms. Steinhauer still owns the property, and yes I agree we need a much better and more robust approach to dealing with our built heritage. I think last week's vote represents our movement in that direction.

I'm off now for a few weeks. Let me know if you have further thoughts as we "evolve." :)

Cheers

Dave

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On May 20, 2016, at 14:25, Gerry Allan <[REDACTED]> wrote:

Hi Dave,

Just reading about efforts regarding Richmond Cottage and Baird Cottage.

In the paper today it refers to KMK on behalf of Mrs Steinhauer. Mrs Steinhauer has moved . Who really owns this property. Is it KMK or Mrs Steinhauer. I was told by others that the property was sold. There has also been talk around town of three high rise properties going on this property.

Anyway I think council should see who actually owns the property and explore conditions of sale which may incur or not incur, liability for the city.

Does a KMK affiliate also own Richmond Cottage?

Former councils should really take some blame for Richmond Cottage fiasco in allowing a cul de sac right up to the back door. If a property is to be preserved as condition of subdivision then the building department should be empowered to inspect the older property development with timelines and financial requirements implemented as a condition of permit.

Councillors need to visit sites and be engaged in this process. The real problem and councils real problem in my opinion is in allowing subdivision or change of zoning of historic properties. If properties weren't subdivided they may not have the same appeal to developers.

Anyway check out ownership and bills of sale so that you know who you are dealing with would be my recommendation.

Thanks

Gerry Allan

Subject: The Latest from City Hall
From: dlane@stjohns.ca
To: gallan@jwallan.com
Date: Wed, 9 Dec 2015 19:31:52 +0000

Apply for advisory committees and get ready for the budget.

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Things are happening...

Hi Gerry,

There are some things "in the hopper" at City Hall. It's a long-ish message, so here's a table of contents:

- [Apply for Advisory Committees!](#)
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- [Thank You, Overcast Readers!](#)

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You may have heard that the City has done a full review and "refresh" of all its advisory committees.

This was an opportunity to update and standardize our terms of reference and adopt some best practices from other municipalities.

Now that the review is complete, the committees have been "reset" and we're accepting applications for ALL members' seats. Choose your application form below and **please apply to as many as you wish!**

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The Budget is Coming!

Council will announce and vote on the 2016 - 2018 budget this Monday, December 14, 2015.

There has been discussion in the media lately about a possible mil rate increase and whether or not a councillor should have "leaked" that information.

All this talk about leaking and lockdowns has compelled me to [explain what's going on from my perspective](#).

I don't like staying "mum" about an issue that's so important to residents, but there's a rationale.

[Click here to read my post about budget "lockdown"](#)

I'll have more to say about the budget on Monday, when we can finally dig into the details!

No Cycling Committee Update! (...yet)

I know, that's a pretty lacklustre sub-heading. But it's my job to keep you posted about our upcoming Cycling Master Plan Committee,

and, well that's the update!

Ok, there's more to it than that: our staff have received a lot of applications (that's great!) and are currently going through the selection process.

It's taking a bit longer than I'd like, but with a big budget process and a hefty revision of our development regulations ongoing, our key staff have been busy.

Rest assured I'll let you know as soon as an announcement is made about membership!

Thank You, Overcast Readers!

Something pretty special happened this month: I was voted "[Best Local Politician](#)" by reader of The Overcast newspaper.

This is such an honour, and very humbling. At first I was just filled with emotion, but something more important quickly began to stir inside: a sense of duty.

I have always taken my job as your councillor very seriously, but this award has been very motivating. I will work harder than ever to deserve this honour.

Thanks again, and please continue to share your advice and input as we move into this second half of my (first) term!

What's Next?

With the budget looming and the advisory committees applications ongoing, I will be in touch again shortly to give you my take on both.

Talk soon,
Dave

p.s. The advisory committees are a very important way for us to get input on important

policy decisions. Please apply for as many of the [Advisory Committees](#), [Experts Panels](#), or [Working Groups](#) as you want!

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Re: Bryn Mawr
Dave Lane to: Emily Wolf
Cc: "Jeremy"

2016/05/28 10:11 AM

Hi guys,

Thanks a lot for this email and your efforts to convey your thoughts to Council. I think we made the right decision Monday, but now the work begins. I'll be suggesting to Council later today that we pull together a committee to discuss the options for the BM site; stay in touch.

Dave

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On May 23, 2016, at 13:32, Emily Wolf <[REDACTED]> wrote:

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We urge you to make the right choice for our City and designate Bryn Mawr a municipal heritage building.

Sincerely,

Emily Wolf and Jeremy Thoms Hetzel

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
St. John's, NL A1A 0L8

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]



Re: Bryn Mawr
Jeremy Hetzel to: Dave Lane

2016/05/28 10:15 AM

Thanks, Dave. It was a suspenseful meeting. Looking forward to next steps. Enjoying day 1 of Portland at the PyCon. Have a great trip to Santorini.

Jeremy

On Sat, May 28, 2016, 5:41 AM Dave Lane <dlane@stjohns.ca> wrote:

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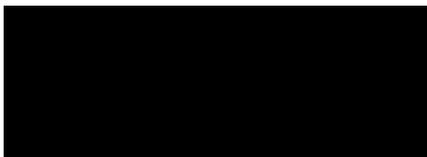
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Re: Bryn Mawr
Dave Lane to: dominic white

2016/05/28 10:17 AM

Hi Dominic,

Thanks a lot for your message. I share your frustrations with our approach to built heritage and have been working to change that. We are making slow, but real progress and in fact have a list of properties that we will soon be approaching in regard to designation. Also, we just approach a new Heritage Impact Assessment report approach that all developments in heritage areas of or heritage significance will have to use in their applications.

That said, our past inadequacies with respect to process should not, in my opinion, be a reason to protect our built heritage now while we continue to improve the approach. It was a difficult and frustrating decision to make given the owner's situation, but ultimately to decide to allow demolition of a significant property simply because we hadn't protected it earlier is not a strong enough argument; protecting it and improving process at the same time makes more sense to me.

Cheers,
Dave

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On May 23, 2016, at 11:03, dominic white [REDACTED] wrote:

Good morning,

Over the course of this weekend I've been reading the recent news stories about "Bryn Mawr". Our city has so much value in its built heritage I generally support heritage designation, and preservation in all its forms.

In the case of "Bryn Mawr" I can't support its designation. The fact CBC reported that the property has been "under consideration" for designation since 1977 is unbelievable, and a deciding factor in my opinion regard the potential designation. A vote to designate and "save" "Bryn Mawr" is not a just a vote about the fate of that property, it's an affirmation that again our city and its leadership has failed us by not having comprehensive plans regarding heritage in all its forms and again had a totally failure to identity and understand heritage in our built landscape. We need only to think back to "Quinnipiac", or possibly look to "Richmond Cottage" after "Bryn Mawr" to see the systemic problem our city has with identify and preserving its built heritage. We need council to focus on creating strong regulations without variation to end this madness. As a citizen concerned

about heritage it seems like our city is in a cycle of too little too late.

Please reject the heritage designation of "Bryn Mawr" and focus on creating uniform regulations and a frame work so we are not this situation regarding individual property's again.

Sincerely,
Dominic

Dominic White





Re: Bryn Mawr
Dave Lane to: NL Historic Trust

2016/05/28 10:42 AM

Thank you very much for your letter and efforts on behalf of our important built heritage. I'm communicating with Council to get the process rolling on "next steps" and the Trust will certainly be involved - thanks for the offer!

Talk soon,
Dave

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On May 26, 2016, at 08:33, NL Historic Trust <coordinator@historictrust.ca> wrote:

Dear Mayor and Council, Please find attached our letter of appreciation for the recent designation of Bryn Mawr. As stated in our letter we would be thrilled to work with the city to facilitate it's restoration and/or adaptive re-use.
Sincerely,

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<NLHT_BrynMawr_May25.pdf>



Re: Shared UK and Newfoundland heritage
Dave Lane to: Michael Holden

2016/05/28 10:49 AM

Michael,

Thanks for your continued support; it's good to see Council moving in a positive direction on our built heritage.

I'm hoping to have a "sales package" pulled together very soon for Richmond Cottage and I'll share it with you once it's ready.

Cheers,

Dave

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On May 26, 2016, at 12:31, Michael Holden <[REDACTED]> wrote:

Hi Dave,

Thanks so much for you vote and persuading other councilors to vote to save Bryn mawr and grant it the heritage protection that it deserves! This is one of Newfoundland's castles and it needs to be protected for future generations! I still see the mayor with his head in the sand! Anyway, I was hoping that this letter would come before the vote but see below what is happening on the other side of the pond! There is so much to do! I hope to have the bbc report on this so that other citizens in the commonwealth will get to see what is happening! The British are very protective of their heritage and barely anything can be demolished!

Speak soon

Michael

Ps the next goal is to find a uk buyer for Richmond Manor saving a house built before Canada was founded!

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From: "James Gray" <[REDACTED]>

Date: Thu, May 26, 2016 at 7:17 AM -0700

Subject: Shared UK and Newfoundland heritage

To: [REDACTED]

Dear Mr Rosindell

We have met on a couple of occasions in my public affairs role at Crossrail, most recently at the breakthrough event at Farringdon last year; however on this occasion I am writing on behalf of concerned friends in St. John's - Newfoundland, Canada - and as a British person desperate to save important shared Newfoundland and British heritage which is under threat from developers.

As the Chair of the British-Canada All-Party Parliamentary Group I would be very grateful if you could meet to discuss this important issue. In particular I would keen to discuss how the UK Parliament and other institutions could support colleagues in St John's to prevent the on-going dismantling and destruction of important heritage sites, built by the British and Newfoundlanders, at the hands of modern developers.

As I am sure you know, Newfoundland was Britain's oldest colony (claimed in 1583 by Sir Humphrey Gilbert) and its residents still hold a very close affinity to the UK to this day. St George's day remains a national holiday, you will see Union Flags flown all over the Island and they even celebrate Guy Fawkes night (the only place outside the UK to do so!). Newfoundlanders have joined the British army, not the Canadian army, at our most desperate times in need such as on the Somme and most recently in WWII to fight overseas. It finally became the 10th Province of Canada 1949 (by only 51% of vote – in a controversial referendum... which I am sure you are familiar with current events today!). Newfoundlanders are very proud of their British (And Irish) heritage, including the many and varied beautiful historic buildings and architecture that are the beloved symbols of their links to the UK.

However, this is now very much under threat from a swathe of unsympathetic property developers, often with no ties to the island, driven by increasing land prices and profit, with a worrying lack of respect or understanding of the history and heritage they are destroying.

I include at the end of this email some examples of recent buildings that have not been saved. This includes Quinpiac, which was built in 1885 and demolished March 2015. The house belonged to Frederick Emerson who is widely recognised as one of Newfoundland's unofficial cultural ambassadors who shaped Newfoundland's image internationally, as the article states. The house was in pristine condition, yet demolished with chandeliers, carpets, oak, marble fireplaces in place! I don't think anyone actually believed that this would ever be torn down. Developer would not even let the Newfoundland and Labrador Historic Trust into house to see and document what would be lost.

I can assure you there are many more examples of buildings that it is also too late

to save and it is no exaggeration to describe these building as lost treasures. They provided an important link between the past and the present, held huge cultural value and were at the heart of a vitally important tourist industry that so many rely on for their income and cultural learning. There are even more examples of sites that we are unlikely to save unless this trend for prioritising the short term, quick profit of developers' needs over the cultural and historic value of these buildings is not given a fair consideration.

We have generally been very good at preserving our history in the UK and it is easy to take it for granted; yet planners in St John's are taking their own cultural heritage for granted and it will have such devastating effects on current and future generations. It is felt that central to this problem is a poor response from both the Mayor and City Council of St. John's, whose priorities lie elsewhere and a lack of legislative framework to protect historic buildings such as we have in the UK.

I would be very grateful if you could spare just a small amount of your time to discuss this issue and help protect the UK and Newfoundland's shared heritage. We have a large number of interested parties in this issue, so it would not become a huge drain on your time, but any support and advice you can offer would be very helpful indeed. I have a close friend from St John's visiting London who can provide an Islander's perspective who would be extremely grateful for your time too.

Yours sincerely



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<http://www.odea.ca/25winter/25winter.htm>

<http://www.thetelegram.com/News/Local/2014-07-28/article-3815050/A-portal-th-rough-time/1>

<https://www.facebook.com/VintageStJohns/posts/811298838963444>

<http://www.thetelegram.com/Opinion/Letter-to-the-editor/2015-03-25/article-4088524/A%E2%80%88lament-for-lost-heritage/1>

Richmond Cottage – built in 1848- due to be demolished in May 2017 (developer said they would try to sell it within one year but then placed black mold sign on structure)

<http://www.cbc.ca/beta/news/canada/newfoundland-labrador/historic-richmond-hill-cottage-gets-one-year-reprieve-1.3492913>

<http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/newfoundland-labrador/black-mould-st-john-s-heritage-1.3518166>

Bryn Mawr built in 1907 - -application to be demolished submitted. Listed property for 40 years but council can override this and grant demolition permit
<http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/newfoundland-labrador/heritage-buildings-demolish-bryn-mawr-1.3516311>
<http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/newfoundland-labrador/sheilagh-oleary-bryn-mawr-heritage-1.3498955>
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James Gray





Re: Baird property
william sheppard to: Sheilagh O'Leary

2016/05/28 12:45 PM

History:

This message has been replied to.

Sheilagh

I guess the court will decide if you are in your legal rights or not and probably at great expense to the taxpayer. There is precedent, Winter ave and the Shaw street property's are prime examples. How about the owner says, fine I am not doing the reno. Where does that leave the city? I suppose she can just let the property fall in disrepair until demolition is the only option left. I suppose until someone steps up to the plate with mega bucks than it is an impasse.

Regards

Bill

From: Sheilagh O'Leary <SOLeary@stjohns.ca>

Sent: May 26, 2016 9:38 PM

To: william sheppard

Subject: Re: Baird property

Bill,

We are not in any way shape or form, obligated to purchase the property. We are fully within our legal rights to designate and now that the property is designated, it will not be senselessly destroyed. Then the owner can weigh out their options

Regards

Sheilagh

Sent from my iPhone

On May 26, 2016, at 9:13 PM, william sheppard [REDACTED] wrote:

Sheilagh

I appreciate the quick response but I am still confused. In cases like this I would think that some level of govt or other party would have to purchase this property from the owner. Who pays to purchase and who pays to upgrade? This could be a huge amount of money. in number 5 you mentioned partnerships. Is there anyone willing to step forward to pay this money? I guess this will require lobbying on someone's behalf. Can the city afford a lawsuit at this point in time? this could prove to be very costly and at the end of the day someone is going pay the lady for her property.

thanks

bill

From: Sheilagh O'Leary <SOLEary@stjohns.ca>

Sent: May 26, 2016 8:42 PM

To: william sheppard

Subject: Re: Baird property

Bill,

Probably easier said by phone rather than email but here goes...

- 1) the \$4,000,000 figure is the amount that was offered to the city, not what was offered the developer. You can be guaranteed that KMK were getting the property for less than that figure, but we were not party to that.
- 2) not sure where you came up with \$3,000,000 restoration amount. The building is structurally sound and depending on its ultimate use, that price would be dictated.
- 3) KMK may come forward with a new design for the property... His original was a housing development all around the periphery with a huge space right in the centre where the historic property resides. He has the option to consider a new development.
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Regards,

Sheilagh

Ward 4

Sent from my iPhone

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RE: Tidewater USA
James Francis to: 'Dave Lane'

2016/05/29 07:59 AM

History:

This message has been replied to.

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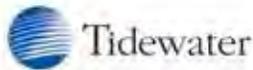
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Wicker

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email : [REDACTED]

From: Dave Lane [mailto:dlane@stjohns.ca]
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Subject: Re: Tidewater USA

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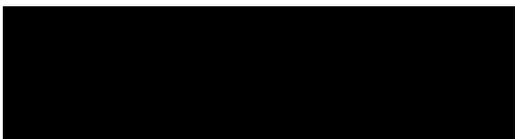
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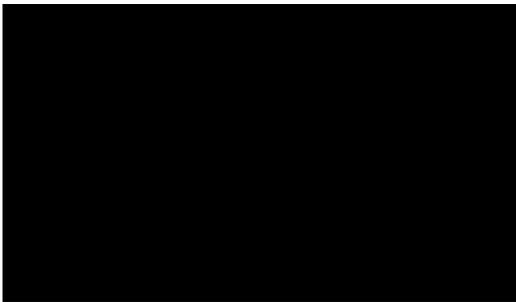
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Dave Lane to: Council_group
Cc: Jason Sinyard

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AUTO: Dave Lane is out of the office (returning 2016/06/28 08:30:00 AM)

Dave Lane to: Ron Ellsworth

2016/05/29 03:27 PM

I am out of the office from 2016/05/29 11:52 AM until 2016/06/28 08:30 AM.

Hello, Thanks for your message!

I will be out the country with limited access to email, returning June 28.

Danny Breen, Councillor, Ward 1 can assist you in my absence:

dbreen@stjohns.ca

Office (709) 576-2332

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Thanks, and have a great day!

Dave

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Re: Bryn Mawr Next Steps
Ron Ellsworth to: Kevin King

2016/05/29 07:57 PM

Understood

Sent from my iPhone

On May 29, 2016, at 4:10 PM, Kevin King  wrote:

Thanks

Dave is sadly mistaken if he thinks we are participating in this one. He obviously didn't take me serious in my letter or he hasn't read it as I was very clear that we are having nothing to do with it other than a sale as is.

Kevin King
President
KMK Capital Inc.



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From: rellsworth@stjohns.ca
Sent: May 29, 2016 3:23 PM
To: Kevin.King@kmkcapital.ca
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Michael Holden to: Dave Lane

2016/05/30 05:22 AM

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Michael

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To: Michael Holden

Subject: Re: Shared UK and Newfoundland heritage

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Dave

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FW: Shared UK and Newfoundland heritage
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Jason Sinyard to: Dave Wadden, Gerard Doran, Ken O'Brien

2016/05/30 09:33 AM

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Jason Sinyard, P.Eng., MBA
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Ken O'Brien to: Jason Sinyard
Cc: Dave Wadden, Gerard Doran

2016/05/30 09:37 AM

OK.

Ken

Jason Sinyard

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2016/05/30 09:33:33 AM

From: Jason Sinyard/CSJ
To: Dave Wadden/CSJ@CSJ, Gerard Doran/CSJ@CSJ, Ken O'Brien/CSJ@CSJ
Date: 2016/05/30 09:33 AM
Subject: 154 New Cove Road - Steinhauer

I'm looking for information for discussions this afternoon with Council. Will discuss at our 11:00.

Jason

Jason Sinyard, P.Eng., MBA
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Re: Bryn Mawr Next Steps
Dave Lane to: Ron Ellsworth
Cc: Council_group, Jason Sinyard

2016/05/30 12:29 PM

Yes, Ron, that'd be my preference. As for last week's meeting my impression was they brought up Bryn Mawr because it was a timely issue to help us put their presentation in context.

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On May 29, 2016, at 15:27, Ron Ellsworth <rellsworth@stjohns.ca> wrote:

Dave I assume the current property owner would made aware of this strategy and invited to be at any and all meetings concerning the property?
Not like what happened at the private meeting.

Sent from my iPhone

On May 29, 2016, at 12:24 PM, Dave Lane <dlane@stjohns.ca> wrote:

Hi all,

Before I leave for a few weeks, I wanted to send a follow-up to the recent decision to designate Bryn Mawr.

Obviously this was a challenging decision, but I think it's representative of a bigger movement at City Hall to better formalize our approach to heritage. Progress is being made, including the new Heritage Report framework being voted on this Monday.

The Bryn Mawr decision can't end with designation, as you've all recognized, so I followed up with Jerry Dick from Heritage Foundation and he is keen to have the Foundation play a key partnership role in helping find an equitable, economic solution to the property's fate.

My suggestion is that we convene a special meeting of the Built Heritage Experts Panel (BHEP), including both its outside and staff members, and invite Jerry to facilitate a "next steps" recommendation to Council.

The recommendation should include some land and property use options to explore, as well as recommended stakeholders to involve in the next stage of dialogue. This next stage of dialogue could / should (in my opinion) include the owner, KMK, members of the BHEP, appropriate staff, interested Councillors, as

well as informed, expert reps from heritage groups such as the Heritage Foundation and Historic Trust.

Because I will be away until the end of June, **I ask that this be added to the Planning Standing Committee**, and a motion be made to ask the BHEP to pursue the first step. I've cc'd Jason so he's in the loop.

We've had some success with this approach with the Richmond Cottage issue. I haven't made as much rapid progress as I'd like due to my own conflicting priorities, but we are very close to a full "sales package" to help promote and hopefully sell the property. The conversations with a similarly crafted committee (as well as KMK) have been very productive and I see the same possibility for Bryn Mawr.

These are just my thoughts and recommendation. Open to discussion!

Thanks,
Dave

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154 New Cove Road
Dave Wadden to: Jason Sinyard
Cc: Cheryl L Mullett

2016/05/30 01:46 PM

Jason:

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Fire Truck Tunring Movements - Steinhauer Property (F011).pdf

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Re: 154 New Cove Road 
Jason Sinyard to: Dave Wadden
Cc: Cheryl L Mullett

2016/05/30 01:58 PM

Cheryl

That is the conceptual subdivision plan that KMK brought to Development Team. No application was made.

Jason

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Dave Wadden

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MEGHAN MCCABE to: apuddister

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RE:Notice of Motion - 154 New Cove Road



ATIPP request - Heritage Buildings and potential ones - Property owners 

Ken O'Brien to: Cheryl L Mullett, Elaine Henley

2016/05/31 12:26 PM

Cc: Arthur MacDonald, Karen Chafe, Aggi Westcott, Jason Sinyard

Cheryl, we will comply by adding all property owners to the list of 130 designated Heritage Buildings (which is now 132 with the addition yesterday of 154 New Cove Road and 55 Rennie's Mill Road). We will arrange to add the owners to the list; it will take at least a week.

Ken

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Cc:	Arthur MacDonald/CSJ@CSJ, Karen Chafe/CSJ@CSJ, Aggi Westcott/CSJ@CSJ	
Date:	2016/05/31 12:14 PM	
Subject:	Re: ATIPP request - Heritage Buildings and potential ones	

I would provide the list as we have it in our possession. The owners of the property are a matter of public record either at the registry of deeds or on our assessment role. But if we do not have the list compiled that way I would put more time and work into to add the owners.

Cheryl L. Mullett
City Solicitor
City of St. John's

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Ken O'Brien	I would recommend against that. Our published...	2016/05/31 12:08:45 PM
Arthur MacDonald	Hi Cheryl, With regards to this ATIPP, should we...	2016/05/30 01:42:39 PM



ATIPP request - Heritage Buildings and potential ones - Property owners

Ken O'Brien to: Greg Keating

2016/05/31 12:33 PM

Cc: Arthur MacDonald, Jason Sinyard, Elaine Henley, Karen Chafe,
Aggie Westcott

Greg, using the list of 130 designated Heritage Buildings (see <http://www.stjohns.ca/sites/default/files/files/publication/Heritage%20Bldgs%20April%202015.pdf>).

At present, we do not have the list of property owners compiled. We have been instructed by the City Solicitor to add the name of the owner of each designated property.

I would ask Chris Small to do this but he is away this week. Would you be able to generate the list of names?

Please also add two properties to the list (designated by Council on May 30, 2016):

- 154 New Cove Road and
- 55 Rennie's Mill Road.

Thx,

Ken

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Re: 154 New Cove Road
Art Puddister to: MEGHAN MCCABE

2016/05/31 12:51 PM

We have no intention of purchasing the property.
Art Puddister

Sent from my iPad

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ATIPP request dated May 31, 2016 - 154 New Cove Road - search words 

Ken O'Brien to: Karen Chafe

2016/05/31 05:11 PM

Cc: Aggi Westcott, Arthur MacDonald, Elaine Henley, Jason Sinyard,
Keith Barrett

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The other search phrase that comes to mind is "Baird Cottage".

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Heritage designation by-laws for 154 New Cove and 55 Rennie's Mill 

Ken O'Brien to: Kelly Butler
Cc: Arthur MacDonald

2016/05/31 06:00 PM

Follow Up: Normal Priority.

Hi, Kelly. You're probably aware that the by-laws were adopted by Council on May 30. For 154 New Cove, time is of the essence. The 90-day period which Council has for deciding on designation, in the face of the application to demolish, ends on June 16.

Regards,

Ken

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Arthur MacDonald | Hi Ken, For your information. | 2016/05/20 09:07:34 AM
----- Forwarded by Arthur MacDonald/CSJ on 2016/05/20 09:06 AM -----
From: Kelly Butler/CSJ
To: Arthur MacDonald/CSJ@CSJ
Date: 2016/05/19 04:45 PM
Subject: Re: Fw: Heritage Designation By-law - City of St. John's Act

Hi Arthur:

Cheryl forwarded me your email below.

The Legal Department is responsible for by-laws, so the only thing you need to do is advise us when you need a by-law prepared. We will handle the preparation, numbering and gazetting on our end.

With respect to 154 New Cove Road, I already have the Notice of Motion and the By-Law prepared for Council. Once they have passed it, I will look after having it gazetted and let you know when it's done.

As for 55 Rennies Mill Road, I wasn't aware that any such by-law was passed. I found the Council Directive but the Legal Department wasn't copied on it, which explains why we weren't notified. Regardless, I'll also look after having that by-law numbered and gazetted.

Once the gazetting has taken place, I'll update by-law section of the City's website as well.

In the meantime, if you have any questions, please feel free to give me a call.

Kelly

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