



# Working Group Meeting #2 West Hamilton City

Wednesday January 25 , 2017

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## Agenda

1. Housekeeping items
  - Invitation to City of Hamilton Staff for WG#3
  - Review of WG #1 minutes
  - Additional meetings if necessary
2. Correspondence
  - Funding backgrounder
3. Committee Feedback on Initial Option
4. January 11th Public Meeting – Debrief
  - Feedback report
  - Key Emerging Themes
5. Narrowing Focus

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## Correspondence

- Advisory committee will receive any letters, emails or communication directed towards the committee from the public.
- The committee decides how to proceed with data requests.
- At each working group meeting the committee will be allotted time to read and ask questions regarding the correspondence.
- Questions from the committee may be brought to working group meetings or sent to [reviews@hwdsb.on.ca](mailto:reviews@hwdsb.on.ca)

Handout – 8 pieces of correspondence

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## School Renewal and School Condition Funding

Funding from Ministry	2012-13 ACTUAL	2013-14 ACTUAL	2014-15 ACTUAL	2015-16 ACTUAL	2016-17 ESTIMATE	TOTAL (over time)
School Renewal Grant	\$8,163,990	\$8,150,977	\$8,144,738	\$8,718,353	\$8,298,156	\$41,476,214
School Condition Index	\$3,607,340	\$3,378,976	\$5,749,388	\$22,059,047	\$23,171,890	\$57,966,641
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$11,771,330</b>	<b>\$11,529,953</b>	<b>\$13,894,126</b>	<b>\$30,777,400</b>	<b>\$31,470,046</b>	<b>\$99,442,855</b>

HWDSB's current estimated High & Urgent renewal needs is approximately \$200 million. The above listed funding programs represent the primary funding sources to address aging school facilities.

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## West Hamilton Renewal

The current capital investment required for accessibility, benchmark, and high & urgent needs for this group of 9 schools (below). To address these capital needs, the estimated cost is \$22.4 million. The funding available to address these costs is from SRG and SCI MOE grants. The total estimated amount given to HWDSB to cover all board needs is an estimated \$31.4 million in 2015-2016.

Status Quo	Cost
Accessibility Costs	\$2,356,595
Benchmark Costs	\$9,687,580
High and Urgent Renewal Costs	\$10,369,754
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$22,413,929</b>

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## Funding for School Consolidation and Capital

- School Consolidation Capital Funding: Intended to help school boards adjust their cost structure in response to reductions in Ministry funding that currently supports empty space.
- Eligible projects for this funding include the following:
  - Consolidating two (or more) schools into one new facility.
  - Building an addition and/or undertaking a major renovation to an existing school to accommodate enrolment from other schools that a school board has made a decision to close.
  - Right-sizing existing schools by renovating existing excess space for other uses including child care and child and family program rooms and community hubs.
- \$750 million over 4 years

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- Capital Priorities Funding:
  - the Capital Priorities program serves as the main way to fund capital projects that address school boards':
    - pupil accommodation needs including enrolment increases;
    - supporting the consolidation (merging) of underutilized facilities,
    - providing facilities for French-language rights holders in under-served areas, and
    - replacing facilities in poor repair.

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## Committee Feedback on Initial Option

- In small groups, discuss your feedback.
- Write feedback and thoughts on sticky notes and transfer to chart paper “parking lot” at front.

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## Public Meeting #1:

- How it Went:
- What We Learned:
- Additional Questions or Feedback

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## Feedback from Public Meeting

### What do we need to Consider?

#### Themes -

- Centrally located
- Diverse programs
- Facility features
- Strong teacher/staff, parent and student relationships
- Involved staff

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## Feedback from Public Meeting

### What's Working Well in Your School?

#### Themes -

- Location
- Facility features
- Quality of Education
- Relationships

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## Feedback from Public Meeting

### What additional thing would you like us to consider?

#### Themes -

- Impact on Families
- Facility
- Hess is a multicultural school
- Programming
- Suggestions for Public consultation

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## Feedback from Public Meeting

### Other questions/comments

#### Themes -

- Projections
- Costs
- Suggestions for Public consultation

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## Key Emerging Themes

Format: Small Group to Whole Group Debrief

1. What are 5 Key themes we need to consider for our work?
2. Using these themes, we will begin to explore options and possibilities.

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## Next Steps

Working Group Meeting #3:  
Wednesday February 8, 2017  
at Ryerson Elementary School

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