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QHC Board recommends existing hospital site as location for new PECM Hospital

In line with the majority of community feedback, the QHC Board of Directors is recommending that the land immediately adjacent to the existing hospital site be the location for the new Prince Edward County Memorial Hospital. The project steering committee took a wide range of factors into consideration, including input from approximately 350 residents as part of the community engagement process in May.

Community engagement efforts included in-depth discussions with a focus group consisting of 35 community leaders, health care partners, and staff and physicians. A month-long survey was open to all community members in May — netting 339 responses. A community open house provided the opportunity for any community member to ask questions, share feedback and complete the survey; approximately 120 attended. The feedback was overwhelmingly in favour of building the hospital on the existing site.

The most common reasons for supporting the existing site:

- The proximity to the family health team and other services,
- Closer for walking to the hospital and a less expensive taxi ride
- Easier to find and easier to see from the main road
- Familiarity with existing site
- Closer for emergency services

The minority supporting the greenfield site by the H.J. McFarland Memorial Home saw the benefits of the idyllic setting— close to nature and less road traffic. They also felt it was easier for construction and would have less impact on the existing hospital during construction.

Concerns about both sites were expressed. Some felt the existing site offered less room for parking and future expansion, and expressed concern about the disruption on hospital operations during the construction. Concerns with the greenfield site included the distance, harder for people to find, and the single access road.

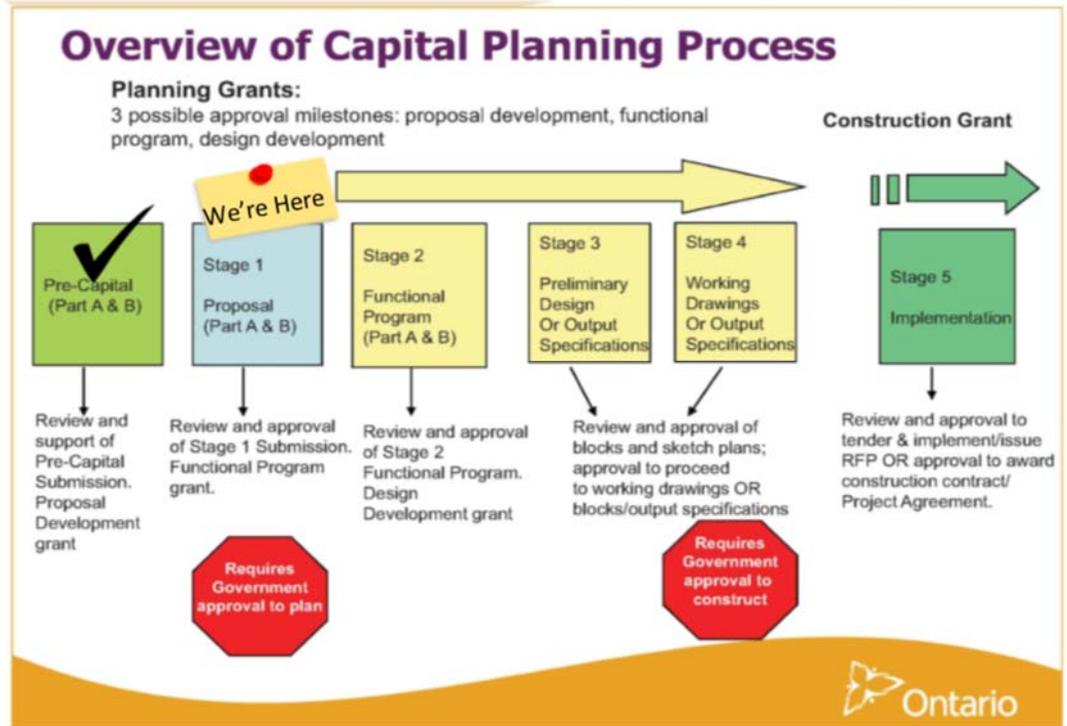
Many people (even those stating a strong preference) - also commented that either site is fine as long as the new hospital is built!

At it's June meeting, the QHC Board of Directors voted in favour of recommending the existing site to the Ministry of Health and Long Term Care as part of the 'stage 1b' submission—which is the next step of the capital planning approval process.

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Next phase of Prince Edward County Memorial Hospital Capital Project receives LHIN Board endorsement

On May 29th, the South East Local Health Integration Network (LHIN) Board of Directors endorsed the Stage 1A Master Program proposal from Quinte Health Care (QHC) for the redevelopment of Prince Edward County Memorial Hospital (PECMH).

The proposal, which builds on the Pre-Capital Submission that was approved by the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care in January 2017, outlines the service delivery model and preliminary plans for the rebuilding of the hospital.

“The South East LHIN recognizes the importance of a strong hospital in Prince Edward County and continues to be committed to seeing this project completed for the patients, families and residents of the region,” explained Paul Huras, Chief Executive Officer, South East LHIN.

As part of this vision, PECMH will continue to provide all services currently delivered at the hospital. QHC is looking to enhance and evolve existing services and partnerships at PECMH to provide an integrated model of care for the residents of Prince Edward County.

A health care campus model also continues to be pursued with the Prince Edward Family Health Team, community clinics and community supports being co-located/adjacent to the new hospital.

PECMH Redevelopment Planning Partners: Quinte Health Care, Prince Edward Family Health Team, South East Local Health Integration Network, Municipality of Prince Edward County, Prince Edward County Memorial Hospital Foundation and the Prince Edward County Memorial Hospital Auxiliary.