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HILLSBURGH LIBRARY TO GET NEW HOME

Good news for Wellington County's Library system and the Town of Erin

Wellington County - The construction of a new library in Hillsburgh is the next chapter in the rejuvenation of the Wellington County Public Library system. The location will be on lands that surround the Mill Pond and includes the neighbouring property at 9 Station Street.

"The County is very pleased to have aquired this property," says Warden George Bridge. "Once the project is completed, the new Hillsburgh Library will serve as a centre for life-long learning as well as establish a cultural and social hub in the Town of Erin. It will certainly be a showpiece of our library system, and indeed the envy of library systems throughout the Province."

Located next to the Elora-Cataract Trail, the new Hillsburgh Library is set to become another destination point for those using the trail.

"The house property and surrounding lands are sure to be well used by many from Hillsburgh, the Town of Erin and beyond," says Rob Black, Chair of the Wellington County Library Board. "It will be a place to come and enjoy the library, the Mill Pond and the adjoining green space."

The announcement is welcome news to the Town of Erin, which supports a library in Centre 2000. The current Hillsburgh Library operates out of leased space on Trafalgar Road in the Village's downtown.

"This location will be a landmark in the County's Library system and will be an excellent focal point for the Village of Hillsburgh and the Town of Erin," says Erin Mayor Allan Alls. "The preservation of a Heritage property, combined with a new addition to the house, the Library will create a destination point for all of Erin."

"This project continues to build on the County's investment in public library services in Wellington County," says Murray McCabe, Wellington County's Chief Librarian. "This much-needed modern library will meet the expectations of a growing community."

It is expected the Library development will be completed in 2017.

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