

**ARMOUR HEIGHTS PUBLIC SCHOOL AND KING GEORGE PUBLIC SCHOOL
ACCOMMODATION REVIEW COMMITTEE MEETING – NOVEMBER 12, 2015**

QUESTIONS AND RESPONSES

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Tina Barnes	<p>What will amalgamation look like?</p> <p>Are you expecting to house students in portables long-term?</p> <p>Why was King George Public School chosen as the site of possible amalgamation?</p> <p>Will this be a short-term solution while you build a new school or long-term solution?</p> <p>If at any point during the process you decide to close King George Public School will the public have a chance to respond?</p> <p>For the record, I would like any amalgamation to be at King George Public School because of the lovely historic building, grounds and forest that encourages Outdoor Education (that is already lacking in the curriculum).</p>	<p>Administration has recommended that the students of both King George Public School and Armour Heights Public School be consolidated within a single facility at the King George Public School site.</p> <p>The King George Public School site has more land on which to better accommodate the students from both schools.</p> <p>Administration has not recommended housing students in portables at any time or as a long-term solution.</p> <p>If the Board of Trustees decides to consolidate both schools on the King George Public School site, a transition committee including staff, parents, and community members will be created to support the transition to one school community and will be able to provide input on a variety of issues.</p> <p>Throughout the Accommodation Review process the public will have opportunities to present their ideas to the committee and this information will be shared with the Board of Trustees. Further, individuals may present delegations at public Board meetings.</p>
Karen Cunningham	<p>As King George Public School is a historic building being over 100 years is it able to be knocked down and rebuilt or does this mean the school has to be kept as a historic building whether it is used as a school or not?</p> <p>Time frame for an addition to King George Public School?</p>	<p>King George Public School is not presently designated a heritage site and it could be removed to allow for a new school to be built on the site.</p> <p>A renovation or new build is projected to take approximately 16 to 18 months.</p>

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Chloe Golloher	<p>Once the approval goes through in March, how can the public/community be involved?</p> <p>Will there be meetings like tonight?</p> <p>(Inspired by Tina Barnes' focus for environment science)</p> <p>I would like to see how bus pickup zones would look like. It's kind of a tricky zone in terms of access.</p> <p>Also, pickup zone for parents with vehicles.</p>	<p>If the Board of Trustees decides to consolidate both schools on the King George Public School site, a transition committee including staff, parents, and community members will be created to support the transition to one school community and will be able to provide input on variety of issues.</p> <p>Suggestions and feedback can be provided to school administration throughout the transition process. A comprehensive transportation assessment will be conducted as part of the process.</p>
Barb Konkle	<p>Why do you feel King George Public School is a better site than Armour Heights Public School when Armour Heights is capable of housing a bigger number of students?</p>	<p>To house an elementary school of over 500 students, a larger site size is required to support the facility, playground, and parking. Currently Armour Heights Public School has a site size of 3.83 acres and King George Public School has a site size of 5.99 acres. The Ministry of Education suggests a minimum of 5 acres for a new construction.</p>
Rachel Petty	<p>I challenge the committee to consider issues of transparency and accountability seriously. Not sharing notes about important issues i.e. French Immersion but simply telling the community it has been discussed is not good enough.</p>	<p>The King George Public School and Armour Heights Public School Accommodation Review is a transparent process with two meetings for public input in which the committee will have the opportunity to hear public delegations. Two working meetings will also be held in which the public may observe the proceedings. Public delegations may also be heard by the Board of Trustees at public Board meetings.</p>