



The Corporation of the Town of LaSalle

<b>Date</b>	September 6, 2017	<b>Report No:</b>	R & C 11-17
<b>Directed To:</b>	Council	<b>Attachments:</b>	Model Yacht Club agreement
<b>Department:</b>	Culture and Recreation	<b>Policy References:</b>	
<b>Prepared By:</b>	Director of Culture and Recreation		
<b>Subject:</b>	Planting of Hero Tree		

**RECOMMENDATION:**

THAT the report from the Director of Culture and Recreation dated September 6, 2017 (C&R 11-17) be APPROVED

AND THAT Council approve the Town Cenotaph as the chosen location for the planting of a Hero Tree;

**REPORT:**

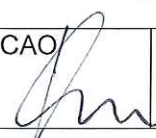
The Town of LaSalle was approached in the Spring 2017 by the Town of Shelburne to contribute to the Hero Tree Program by planting a tree along the 401 corridor. At the time Council asked staff to find an alternate location in town that would be more suitable.

Staff recommends that the tree be erected in the Cenotaph area and a memorial plaque be engraved and placed to identify the tree and its significance. The tree will honour fallen soldiers who have been killed serving Canada since Confederation.

Staff recommends the Red Maple be chosen for the Hero Tree as it is esthetically pleasing during three seasons and provides good canopy cover. The impact to the budget will be the cost of the tree and memorial plaque at approximately \$600 + HST.

The planting of the Hero Tree will not impede the new Memorial Program as the program requires staff's final approvals for requested locations of planting. This will ensure that there are not numerous memorial trees planted throughout the Cenotaph. The Hero Tree will honour all Canadian Soldiers including those from the Town of LaSalle addressing the memorial of our residents.

J. Columbus, Director of Culture & Recreation

Reviewed by:							
CAO 	Treasury	Clerks	Env. Services	Planning	Parks & Rec	Building	Fire