



## **The Corporation of the Town of LaSalle**

**To:** Members of the Parks, Recreation and Events Committee

**Prepared by:** Patti Funaro, Director of Culture and Recreation

**Department:** Culture and Recreation

**Date of Report:** August 23, 2021

**Report Number:** CR-2021-21

**Subject:** Benoit House Museum Update

### **Recommendation**

That the report of the Director of Culture and Recreation dated August 23, 2021 (CR-2021-21) regarding an update on the Benoit House Museum be received.

### **Report**

Planning and preparation work on the Benoit House Museum continues, with the following activities to date:

The Canada Summer Jobs grant provided funding to hire and provide work experience to a recent graduate who holds a masters degree in Heritage Resources Management. This position has been able to work along side our consultant and has been assisting with various aspects of planning for the museum.

A number of community members were consulted in order to identify potential participants for a steering committee. The purpose of the committee is to provide valuable input as the museum strategic plan is developed. The steering community includes residents with an interest in the museum, representatives from the Francophone community, along with the tourism and heritage sectors. A representative from the Indigenous Community is providing input on an individual basis. The Terms of Reference for the committee is included in Appendix A.

Individual meetings for input from Members of Council have been completed.

Public consultation specific to the museum will take place through PlaceSpeak from August 25 until September 17. Activities include an informational video, a survey and photos and renderings.

## **Consultations**

Corporate Communications and Promotions Officer

## **Financial Implications**

none

## **Prepared By:**

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Director of Culture & Recreation

Patti Funaro

## **Link to Strategic Goals**

1. Enhancing organizational excellence - Not Applicable
2. Strengthen the community's engagement with the Town - Yes
3. Grow and diversify the local economy - Not Applicable
4. Build on our high-quality of life - Yes
5. Sustaining strong public services and infrastructure - Not Applicable

## **Communications**

## **Notifications**