











Community Hubs in Ontario and Greater Sudbury: A Strategic Framework

Community Services Committee
June 19th, 2017





Agenda

- Overview of the Provincial Advisory Committee
- Overview of the work that has been completed Provincially
- Review of Next Steps Provincially
 - New information about Public Properties (Ministry of Infrastructure)
- Review of Local success
- Strategy and Next Steps Municipally





Context

The mandate of the Provincial Advisory Group:

- Appointed in 2015
- Review provincial policies and develop a framework for adapting existing public properties into community hubs
- Inform the government's approach to moving forward with community hubs

Over the first **90 days**, the Advisory Group:

- Gathered targeted input
- Engaged community organizations and other groups to ensure the framework addresses local needs
- Examined best practices
- Engaged across Ontario ministries and communities





Strategic Framework

Vision

"We want Ontario to be the best place to work, live and raise a family, and community hubs are a part of that vision."

- Kathleen Wynne, Premier of Ontario

Principles

- 1) Strengthening communities requires provincial leadership
- 2) Community planning is done locally with strong local leadership
- 3) Community needs should drive integrated service delivery
- 4) Community use is an integral part of provincial public asset planning
- 5) Community hubs are built through collaboration and shared responsibility

Goals

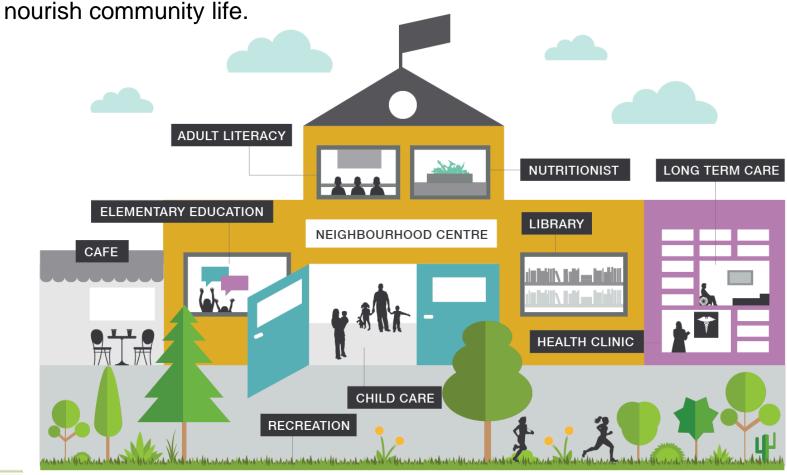
- Co-ordinated Planning: A coordinated system of planning that encourages partnerships and builds on what works
- Client-focused Service Delivery: A delivery system that provides integrated services to people in their communities
- Community Infrastructure/Public Assets: A system that maximizes the use of public assets for community benefit





What is a Community Hub?

 Community hubs provide a central access point for a range of needed health and social services, along with cultural, recreational, and green spaces to







Overview: Provincial Strategic Framework and Action Plan – Released in 2015

The report is divided into key sections:

- The Journey So Far: Overview of process/engagement leading to development of Strategic Framework and Action Plan
- What We Heard: Summary of feedback heard through engagement process
- Strategic Framework: Proposed vision, principles, and goals for community hubs in Ontario based on feedback received
- Action Plan: Recommendations to government to advance community hubs vision and remove barriers





Overview: Provincial Strategic Framework and Action Plan - Progress One Year Later Released in 2016

The report outlines three key areas of focus:

- Making Better Use of Public Properties: Improving access and planning around surplus properties.
- Removing Barriers and Enabling Community Hub Development: Integrated service delivery.
- Building Community Capacity and Supporting Local Planning: Integrated local planning.







Next Steps

- Imminent release of a program designed give the community more time to assemble plans for surplus space (Ministry of Infrastructure Letter dated June 13, 2017
- Continued work by the Advisory Group.
- Register with the Community Hubs Portal https://www.communityhubsontario.ca/
- Continue to provide feedback at <u>planningforhubs@ontario.ca</u>





Local Successes

Community Hubs exist in several different areas locally:

- Best Start Hubs: 15 Hubs scattered throughout the community that provide a range of services.
- Northeast Centre of Excellence For Seniors Health: Co-location of services.





Strategy and Next Steps

Development Process:

- Neighbourhood Demographics: GIS support and updated Census data to be released in the fall of 2017.
- Asset Mapping: A review of services available in neighbourhoods.
 Gap analysis and potential synergies.
- Reviewing Surplus Space: Greater Sudbury Housing, surplus schools, underutilized community halls.
- Strategic Direction: Consultation with community partners in high priority neighbourhoods.
- Funding: Review of possible funding sources.
- Approval: Report and strategic recommendation to be brought back to Community Services in the first quarter of 2018.





Discussion / Questions



