



COUNTY OF WELLINGTON

COMMITTEE REPORT

To: Chair and Members of the Information, Heritage and Seniors Committee
From: Jana Burns, Wellington Place Administrator
Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2024
Subject: Wellington Place Pavilion

Background

This report provides an update on the Wellington Place Pavilion.

In February staff instructed +VG to revise the pavilion design based on an updated budget. The new design is in a separate attachment and follows this report.

The revised design has a long rectangular configuration with a contemporary feel, quite similar in style to the nearby childcare building. It consists of recycled product resembling wood. The structure is simple, and while it has a basic layout of posts and a roof, it has the opportunity to include a storage area with servery into a future phase. The size of the pavilion has reduced from 3,000 square feet to 1,000 and a future storage space would further reduce this area. The concrete within and around the building has decreased to 1,000 square feet within and a surrounding six-foot apron. Vehicle access will be provided in a reduced size from the previous design.

Several of the original objectives are not met with this design. It will function in fair-weather only and provides no shelter from wind, rain, etc. It holds sufficient programming space for up to 25 students. The building will have hydro for lights and power receptacles but cannot accommodate large entertainment or food/drink preparation space.

The modern architecture fits well within its surroundings but lacks in usable space for markets, events, celebrations or larger groups. The new design does not meet the Indigenous Advisory Committee input, as the size, landscaping and water feature have been reduced or removed. Several of the elements that were originally consulted on for design inclusion cannot be accommodated within the existing design.

Original objectives	2023 Design	2024 Design
Public everyday use: tables and chairs for picnics, rest stop, Terrace - end of life reflections, memorial services, intergenerational programming with the daycare.	YES	NO (reduced capacity)
Programming/events: WCMA children's/adult workshops, school groups, meetings (audio/visual), community meals (servery), food trucks/service area, festivals hosted by the community or WCMA,	YES	NO (reduced capacity)

daycare programming space with solid ground as none such exists at Aboyne.		
Banquets/Weddings: seating up to 150, band/DJ setup, kitchen area.	YES	NO
Market vendors: server (public health requirements), under roof tables for 20 vendors, space for additional vendors and public seating on terrace.	YES	NO
Indigenous or other gatherings: Pow Wow necessitates a covered space for traditional foods and market vendors, a circular terrace, water feature, path to Indigenous Gathering Circle, space to harvest medicines, host traditional teaching workshops.	YES	NO (reduced capacity)
Washrooms would be advisable somewhere.	NO (Future phase or in new storage building)	NO

Strategic Action Plan

This report relates to the following objectives and priorities in the County's Strategic Action Plan:

- Best services in place to service the County's residents and businesses.
- Best infrastructure in place to meet the current and future needs of the community.

Recommendation:

Whereas several of the design and operational features cannot be accommodated within the established budget provision of \$775,000, it is recommended that the construction of the Wellington Place Pavillion be temporarily paused until sufficient funds exist.

Attachments: Updated Wellington Place Pavilion renderings.

Respectfully submitted,



Jana Burns
Wellington Place Administrator