



Date: September 23, 2021  
To: Kim Ramsay, CAO  
cc: Kate Friars, Deputy CAO  
From: Amy Pyne, Manager, Real Estate & Corporate Projects  
  
Re: Former Clarksville School/Community Hall - Update

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Following the September 21, 2021 Executive Committee Meeting staff connected with the sole surviving trustee of the Clarksville Community Club (the “Club”), Elaine Winchcombe. A follow up letter was sent via email to Elaine, copying community member Carol Wells, summarizing East Hants’ intention to declare surplus and dispose of the Clarksville Community Hall and solidify Elaine’s support of signing the property back to East Hants in her position as trustee. A copy of the letter is enclosed as Appendix A.

Moving forward, upon Council Motion on September 29, 2021, the following steps are anticipated as part of the Former Clarksville School/Community Hall file:

- Deed property back to East Hants (anticipated 6-8 weeks following Council Motion)
- Release Request for Expressions of Interest to Purchase
  - Notify Clarksville community of expression of interest opportunity by way of letter to properties within Clarksville community and immediate surrounding area
  - Advertisement plan to include on-site signage, social media etc.
  - The call for expression of interest is intended to provide the opportunity for other community and not-for-profit groups to develop and propose viable plans for using the property. Under the expression of interest, East Hants may choose to accept a bid from a non-profit group with a viable plan for using the property, over a higher bid from another individual or entity.
- Return to Council with summary of submissions and recommendation stemming from expressions of interest