



Imagine the possibilities: Lord Kitchener School Renewal Project

Kitchener Project Summary

- Ministry of Education and VSB have a project agreement to construct a replacement school, and upgrade the 1914 wood frame building on the existing site, with a school capacity of 510 K- 7 students
- Key educational elements include a school capacity of 510 Kindergarten to Grade 7 students, library, full sized elementary gymnasium
- Early learning entitlement of 3 early education spaces
- Additional space for a Neighborhood Learning Centre including an enlarged multipurpose room suitable for music programs and out-of-school care, a performance space for student presentations, and a community commons space
- The main building of the existing school will be demolished at completion of the project
- Estimated project costs: \$19.8M (at March 2009 subject to Ministry de/escalation)

More detailed project information is available on the VSB webpage at <http://www.vsb.bc.ca/district-facilities/projects/lord-kitchener-elementary>





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Feedback from February 2010 Open House

Approximately 100 people attended the last Open House held on February 3, 2010 when the project team presented a project update and a concept design. A total of 35 feedback forms were returned from parents, local residents, local business operators, association representatives and others.

Overall the feedback received was generally positive and supportive of the proposed concept. Traffic was the main concern expressed. Some other concerns and suggestions were about protecting trees, construction noise, building massing on the west side of the site, consultation process for neighbors.

The majority of responses liked the proposed relocation of the upgraded 1914 frame building to the corner of King Edward and Collingwood St. and the prominence of the proposed location.

Many responses liked all aspects of the Neighborhood Learning Centre spaces proposed for community uses.

Many comments expressed an urgency to proceed and frustration with the delays.

A more detailed summary of the February 2010 Kitchener Open House is available at http://www.vsb.bc.ca/sites/default/files/shared/Kitchener-%20feedback%20results_0.pdf

