Tonight’s Schedule

6:30 – 6:35  City’s Introduction
6:35 – 7:05  Consultant Presentation
7:05 – 8:15  Workshop Exercise and Reporting Back
8:15 – 8:30  Wrap-up and Next Steps
Presentation Outline

1. The Project Team and Stakeholders
2. Character Area Study
3. The Study Area
4. Precedent Review
5. Character Area Components
6. Workshop Exercises
7. Next Steps
The Project Team and Stakeholders

City of Burlington
- Andrea Smith, Acting Manager of Policy and Research
- Rosa Bustamante, Project Manager

Brook McIlroy
- Anne McIlroy, Principal-in-Charge
- Matt Reid, Project Manager
- Maryann Alisch, Planner

Key Stakeholders:
- Indian Point residents and landowners, residents of Burlington, development community, etc.
Character Area Study

What is Neighbourhood Character?

Neighbourhood character refers to the 'look and feel of an area'. Character Areas are areas of the community that have achieved a distinct, recognizable, character that is different from neighbouring areas. These differences may be the result of topography, age and style of housing, built environment, land use patterns, landscaping, street patterns, open space, and streetscapes.
Character Area Study

What is a Character Area Study?
The Indian Point Character Area Study is a process that will:

- Identify and define the private and public realm character components of the neighbourhood that distinguish it from other areas of Burlington
- Develop tools to improve the management of neighbourhood character issues related to development applications
- Protect and support the character of the Indian Point neighbourhood
Indian Point Neighbourhood

Fifteen (15) acres in size

Located south west of the QEW along the northern edge of Lake Ontario

One of the oldest neighbourhoods in the city

Area has cultural heritage significance

Residential Area in Burlington Official Plan

Zoned as Low Density Residential in Burlington Zoning By-Law 2020
Character Area Study

Our Process

Detailed site visits

Background and policy review

Precedent review

Detailed qualitative and quantitative review of neighbourhood mapping

Extensive consultation with community members
Precedent Review

Old Port Credit Village, Mississauga Heritage Conservation Plan

• Buildings of historic interest include those dating from the nineteenth and early twentieth centuries

Lessons Learned

• The goal of the plan is to conserve and enhance the historical character of old Port Credit village and to maintain the district’s predominately low-density residential character
Precedent Review

Trafalgar Road, Oakville Heritage Conservation District Plan

• Predominantly late nineteenth and early to mid twentieth century houses

Lessons Learned

• The Plan provides the basis for protection of the district's heritage features and nineteenth and twentieth century houses, open space, streets and street trees

• Provides guidance on planning and development matters that may affect the future of this area
Precedent Review

Wychwood Park Heritage Conservation District Plan

- Neighbourhood of sixty homes in Toronto
- Houses built between 1906 – 1917
- Considerable architectural significance
- Distinct tree canopy and topography

Lessons Learned

- Change in the character of individual buildings or of the overall setting are neither necessary or desirable in this neighbourhood
- New houses should be designed in character with neighbouring houses which may be perceived as being part of a related group in the park
Interactive Voting!

Each person should have their own clicker.

If you make a mistake or change your mind, simply press enter your answer again. The clicker will only use your most recent answer.

After the poll is closed, you can no longer vote on that question.
Are you someone who....
(Pick as many answers as apply)

1. Lives in Indian Point
2. Lived in Indian Point, but no longer lives there
3. Visits Indian Point
4. Has never been to Indian Point
5. Owns property in Indian Point
6. Rents property in Indian Point
7. Has development interests in Indian Point
How long have you lived in Indian Point?

1. Less than 5 years
2. Between 5-10 years
3. Between 10-20 years
4. More than 20 years
5. You do not live in Indian Point
Character Area Components

**Large Mature Trees**

- Large tree canopy creates shaded streetscapes
- Tree-lined streets create sense of enclosure and arrival into the neighbourhood
Large Mature Trees

1. Not Important
2. Slightly Important
3. Neutral
4. Quite Important
5. Very Important
Character Area Components

Lakeside Context

- Location on a peninsula creates a sense of a neighbourhood enclave
- Houses, landscape, open space and views to and from the Lake
Lakeside Context

1. Not Important
2. Slightly Important
3. Neutral
4. Quite Important
5. Very Important
Character Area Components

**Landmarks**

- Historic gateway signifies arrival into the neighbourhood
- Represents Indian Point’s early history and unique location in the City
Landmarks

1. Not Important
2. Slightly Important
3. Neutral
4. Quite Important
5. Very Important
Character Area Components

Views

- Indian Road stretches along the waterfront, offering exceptional views of Lake Ontario
Views

1. Not Important
2. Slightly Important
3. Neutral
4. Quite Important
5. Very Important
Character Area Components

Private Enclave

- Indian Road is the connecting street, running along the Lake, Mohawk Rd, Algonquin Rd and Iroquois Rd extending west

- Lack of sidewalks and through traffic
Private Enclave

1. Not Important
2. Slightly Important
3. Neutral
4. Quite Important
5. Very Important
Character Area Components

Topography

- Land gently slopes downward toward the Lake, allowing for heightened views from the roads extending east of Indian Road
Topography

1. Not Important
2. Slightly Important
3. Neutral
4. Quite Important
5. Very Important
Character Area Components

Spacious Properties

• Large lot frontages ranging from 24 - 60 metres reinforce the prominence of the homes

• Minimal lot coverage with significant private amenity space
Spacious Properties

1. Not Important
2. Slightly Important
3. Neutral
4. Quite Important
5. Very Important
Character Area Components

**Height and Scale of Houses**

- Scale and massing that is appropriate to the lot size
- Predominantly 1 ½ to 2 ½ storey houses with pitched roofs and varied architectural period detailing
- One storey cottage-like houses on Indian Road along the Lake
- Allows for clear views of the water from the street
Height and Scale of Houses

1. Not Important
2. Slightly Important
3. Neutral
4. Quite Important
5. Very Important
Character Area Components

Style of Architecture

• Mix of historic architectural styles: Neo-Tudor and Arts & Crafts styles predominate

• Housing variety strengthens character and provides choice
Style of Architecture

1. Not Important
2. Slightly Important
3. Neutral
4. Quite Important
5. Very Important
Character Area Components

**Private Landscaping**

- Gives each property a distinct, clearly defined character
- Promotes privacy and defined property edges
Private Landscaping

1. Not Important
2. Slightly Important
3. Neutral
4. Quite Important
5. Very Important
Workshop Exercises

Team Introductions
- Introduce yourself to your table
- Assign a note taker, and someone to report back

Post-It Note Exercise
- What character elements are important to you for the future of Indian Point?

Group Discussions
- Complete the worksheet at your table

1. Retention of Trees
2. View of the Lake
3. Housing design
Next Steps

**Prepare Summary of Workshop**
- April, 2013

**Steering Committee Meeting**
- April, 2013

**Prepare Interim Report of Findings**
- May, 2013

**Second Public Workshop**
- Early summer, 2013