



<p>Bronte Green School Boundary Review – School Boundary Review Committee Recommendation</p>	<p>Item 4.2</p>
<p>May 27, 2021</p>	

Alignment to Strategic Plan

This report is linked to our strategic priority of **Achieving: Meeting the needs of all learners.**

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to update the Board on the recommendation of the Bronte Green School Boundary Review Committee (SBRC) and to obtain Board approval for the recommended boundary change.

Background Information

1. Staff Report Item 9.2 “Bronte Green School Boundary Review – School Boundary Review Committee Recommendation” from the May 4, 2021 Regular Meeting of the Board.
2. Information Report Item 10.7 “Bronte Green New Development Area Elementary School Boundary Review” from the March 2, 2021 Regular Meeting of the Board.
3. Information Report Item 10.9 “2019 Long-Term Capital Plan Update – Final Report” from the June 18, 2019 Regular Meeting of the Board.

Additional background material including the options explored, presentations and minutes of the Advisory School Boundary Review Committee can be found online at:

<https://schoolplanning.hcdsb.org/bronte-green-new-development-area-elementary-school-boundary-review/>

Comments

In the [2019 Long-Term Capital Plan \(LTCP\)](#), the Board identified Bronte Green (formerly Saw Whet Golf Course) as one of the development areas in Oakville. In addition, the LTCP identified the need to conduct a School Boundary Review to address enrolment pressures from this new development to St. Mary CES and determine a home school for the new community in Oakville.

The school boundary review was undertaken in accordance to [Board Policy No. I-29: School Boundary Review Process](#) and [Administrative Procedure No. VI-88: School Boundary Review Process](#) and an advisory School Boundary Review Committee was created.



The advisory School Boundary Review Committee consisted of parent representation from St. Mary CES and St. Joan of Arc CES. A list of the School Boundary Review Committee is provided in Appendix A.

The goals of the boundary review were to:

- Review the school attendance boundaries for St. Mary CES and St. Joan of Arc CES to support long-term sustainable enrolment at both schools;
- Complete the review with implementation to take effect for September 2021 to ensure that a home school for the Bronte Green New Development Area is determined in advance of first group of students from the new community.

School Boundary Review Milestones

From March 24, 2021 to April 21, 2021, the School Boundary Review Committee met through two (2) virtual committee meetings. In addition, one (1) Virtual Public Information Meeting and a Public Feedback Survey was presented to the community through virtual methods during this time to gather feedback on the proposed boundary reviewed by the Committee.

Table 1: School Boundary Review Completed Tasks

ACTIONS	DATE
Board Information Report – SBRC Initiation Report	March 2, 2021
Inaugural SBRC Working Meeting #1	March 24, 2021
Public Information Meeting & Public Feedback Survey	April 7, 2021
SBRC Working Meeting #2	April 21, 2021
Staff Report – SBRC Recommendation	May 4, 2021

Table 2: School Boundary Review Next Steps

ACTIONS	DATE
Public Delegations	May 18, 2021
Final Action Report presented to the Board	May 18, 2021

Bronte Green New Development Area Elementary School Accommodation Plan

As part of the School Boundary Review Committee review process, the committee was presented with the option of redirecting the Bronte Green New Development Area from St. Mary CES to St. Joan of Arc CES. The option of redirecting portions of the Bronte Green New Development Area to different schools was also discussed, however it was decided by the committee that it would be best to keep the new community together at one school. In addition, the areas to the west of Bronte Green that form the Bronte Creek Provincial Park and a few rural style residential homes on the west side of Bronte Road (patch O18 and P19) with no current students would also be directed to St. Joan of Arc CES.

The School Boundary Review Committee recommended boundary is provided in Appendix B.



The committee ultimately supported the option of directing the entire Bronte Green New Development Area to St. Joan of Arc CES from the St. Mary CES catchment. The proposed boundary change, SBRC supported option, was shared with the community for public feedback.

Public Feedback Comments and Concerns

On April 7, 2021, the Board hosted a virtual Public Information Meeting on the SRBC supported option. Following the meeting, a public feedback survey was made available to the community.

The feedback received from the community is available through the School Planning website at: <https://schoolplanning.hcdsb.org/bronte-green-new-development-area-elementary-school-boundary-review/>.

Based on feedback received through Virtual Public Information Meeting, overall, 77% of respondents supported the SBRC boundary change, 8 % of the respondents were neutral to the boundary change, and 16% were opposed to the boundary change.

Conclusion

The recommendation of the School Board Review Committee is to proceed with the boundary change to redirect the Bronte Green New Development Area from St. Mary CES to St. Joan of Arc CES. The boundary change is to take effect for September 2021 to ensure that a home school for the Bronte Green New Development Area is determined in advance of the first group of students from the new community.

Resolution

The following resolution is respectfully submitted for Trustee consideration and approval:

Resolution#:

Moved by:

Seconded by:

RESOLVED, that the Halton Catholic District School Board direct staff to implement the SBRC recommended boundaries for the 2021-2022 school year for St. Mary CES and St. Joan of Arc CES, whereby these changes shall have the effect of altering existing attendance areas by:

1. Re-directing patch O18 and P19 from St. Mary CES to St. Joan of Arc CES.



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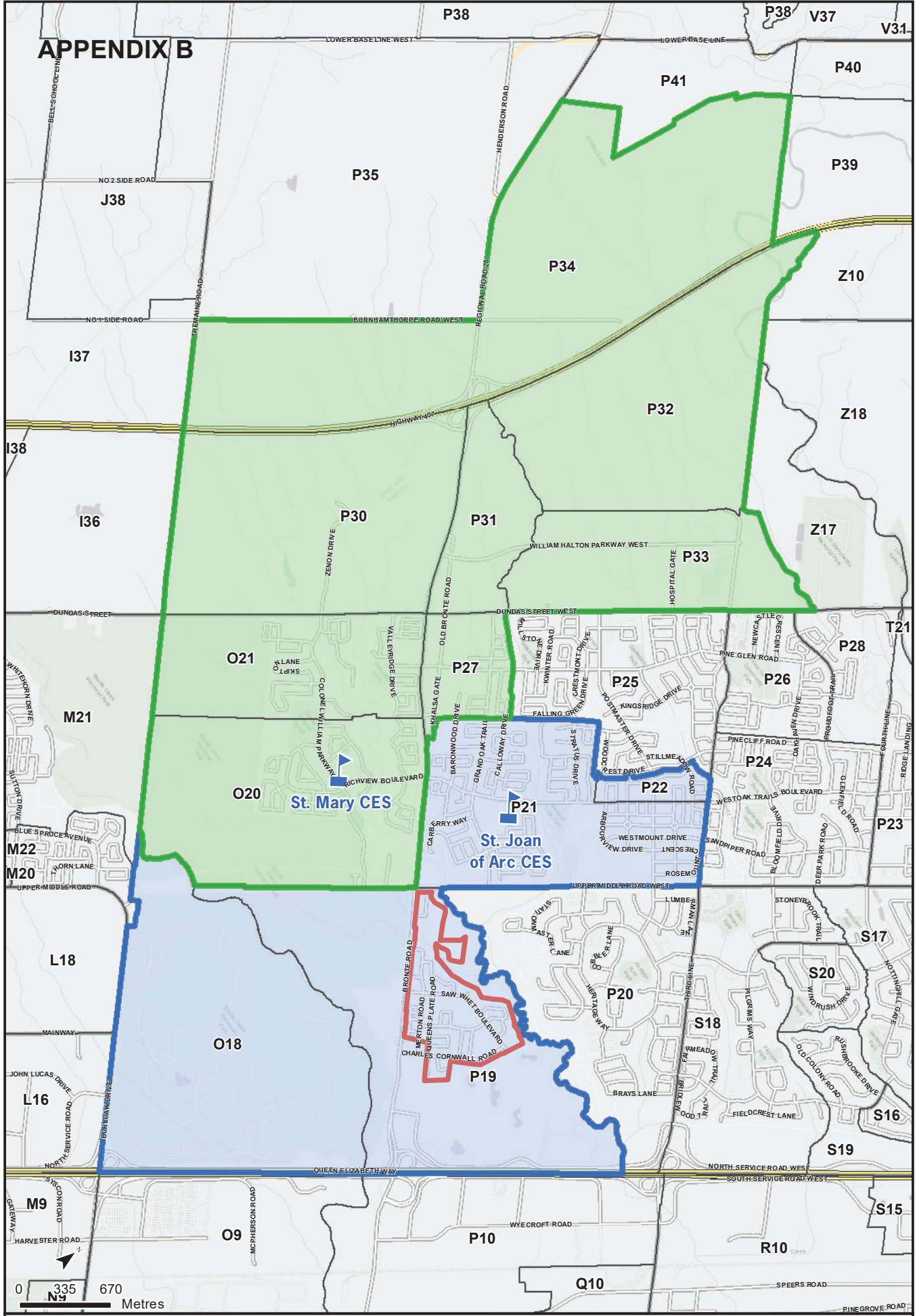
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Bronte Green New Development Area School Boundary Review

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APPENDIX B



SBRC Recommended Boundary
2021-2022 School Year
 Town of Oakville

- ▭ Bronte Green Development Area
- ▭ St. Joan of Arc CES Regular Track Boundary
- ▭ St. Mary CES Regular Track Boundary