

Municipality of Port Hope 56 Queen Street Port Hope, ON L1A 3Z9

REPORT TO: Corporate Services Committee

FROM: David Smith, Chief Administrative Officer

SUBJECT: Municipal Approach to Indigenous Awareness

DATE: July 6, 2021

RECOMMENDATION:

Receive for information.

BACKGROUND:

For some time, the Mayor has led very preliminary discussions with the Chief Administrative Officer about the need for further municipal action on a variety of topics related to reconciliation. Through these discussions the need to also consider broader related topics has arisen.

Staff will develop a strategy for future Council approval on how to define goals and best achieve those goals. It will also identify efforts taken to date. To be clear, the strategy will be methodology on how to achieve future defined goals.

A variety of resources will be referenced including municipal best practices, recommendations from other levels of government, post-secondary institution's knowledge and will primarily be focused on areas of municipal influence and responsibility.

The Municipality has recently added a page to the municipal website identifying resources available to residents and initial steps taken by the Municipality. This page will be further updated as a strategy is identified.

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS:

Expenses will be identified within the strategy to be presented to Council.

CONCLUSION:

Further updates will be brought to Council for awareness and approval.

Respectively submitted, David Smith Chief Administrative Officer

RE: Committee of the Whole Report – Municipal Response to Indigenous Topics July 6, 2021