



Vote For a Sustainable Peterborough

Candidate Name: Daryl Bennett

Running for: Mayor

<p>Please tell us what policies you would support that address the goal of Ensuring Sustainable Economic Policies.</p>	<p>The policies we have put in place over the past 8 years are all motivated toward sustainability</p>
<p>Please tell us what policies you would support that address the goal of Ensuring Sustainable Cultural Policies.</p>	<p>All the existing and the new Cultural hub incentive I proposed in the past term. The concept is to provide property tax relief to reduce the costs for cultural activity in our downtown core.</p>
<p>Please tell us what policies you would support that address the goal of Ensuring Sustainable Social Policies.</p>	<p>As you will know we have worked carefully to maintain the levels of funding to most if not all of our social programs this in spite of some Provincial cut backs in the past years. As you are aware the use of Property Taxes is not an efficient way to redistribute wealth. We look at the greatest need, housing and await our Federal Gov't bringing in a National Housing strategy.</p>
<p>Please tell us what policies you would support that address the goal of Ensuring Sustainable Environmental Policies.</p>	<p>We have a strong basis of understanding with the legislated responsibilities regarding environmental matters. The Province has set guidelines and our local CA, ORCA interprets and enforces the regulations. We have been observant of not just today's environment but in looking at where we will be with climate change. Our decisions are balanced to reflect both growth and the environment again looking to ensure we set a workable pathway for the future.</p>



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<p>Please tell us what policies you would support that would increase transparency of government, democratic decision making, and citizen engagement.</p>	<p>We have a very open and transparent process in place that allows for ample public input. We continue to post all new information on matters being dealt with at Council on our web site and we are open to discussions to ensure our reasoning for decisions are public. We stand in the middle gather information from staff and the experts on one hand and then listen to all opinions and positions of groups who have an interest in a matter at hand. We then as elected representatives make a decision. I can state from my stand point every decision I have made is intended to move our community closer to its potential on all fronts.</p>
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