



Vote For a Sustainable Peterborough

Ward 1 - Otonabee

Candidate	Please tell us what policies you would support that address the goal of Ensuring Sustainable Economic Policies.
Brock Grills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Invest in green tech innovation (Solar, Wind, etc.) • Invest in roadwork and infrastructure projects little by little rather than waiting for a large consolidated price tag
Bob Hall	<p>I support policies that encourage increasing our densities for jobs and persons per hectare, including creating Community Improvement Plans to provide incentives for developments that meet that targets we set as a community. I support policies that nurture our cultural, social and recreation activities in our community because we need to take a holistic view of community building to attract and retain jobs in the City. I support the requirements for Low Impact Development best practices in developments. I support the vision of the Sustainable Peterborough and Climate Change Action Plan because an environmentally sustainable community is essential for an economically sustainable community.</p>
Lesley Parnell	<p>I look at every single policy or development with a sustainable lens. This is essential going forward. Any development must have green infrastructure, connectivity to trails, necessary commercial, sidewalks/trails for an accessible/walkable community. This is also a safety feature for children walking to school or seniors feeling safe and getting out to walk in their own neighbourhood. Plus transit connections. Any time we can provide essentials without someone having to drive a car for access - the better. I also support mixed density, and affordable housing within any given community. I have proposed this as part of the official plan. Any policy that encourages efficiency in any way promotes the sustainability of that feature in our community. This help our economy short and long term.</p>
Jason Andrew Wallwork	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A “Local Improvement Charge” to fund retrofitting older homes to meet carbon reduction goals. It would have to be small to start because I don't want it to be a barrier to new builds in Peterborough. • Tax incentives for local innovation, manufacturing and training using technology that shifts Peterborough, and the country, to 100% renewable energy. • Transparent zoning/tax policies for local small businesses • Support for denser development along main roads, near downtown, using empty spaces, and creating complete communities.
Ryan Waudby	



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Kim Zippel	<p>I am concerned, our children are concerned, and more people on the doorstep identify issues about climate change and the effects it will have on their future. We must address those concerns by making changes in Peterborough to ensure healthy and needed jobs for today, and a more equitable economy for our children. Sustainability is a concept that brings the economy, the environment, culture and social issues together for the good of the whole community. Economic policy must find a place in that integration. Sustainability means that I champion fact-based decision-making, smart planning and strong growth based on green industry, building infrastructure, and public ownership of essential public services. It is predicted that the switch to a green economy will create jobs in home retrofitting, in new 'sustainable' builds, localizing food and power production - all needed for Peterborough's future.</p>
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Candidate	Please tell us what policies you would support that address the goal of Ensuring Sustainable Cultural Policies.
Brock Grills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Look into making election materials and festival decorations more environmentally sustainable • Dialogue with various cultural and faith groups to see what they are already doing to be sustainable and build on it
Bob Hall	<p>I support investments in the City's community grants program to assist with community groups that are essential for our cultural activities. I support investments in the arts and heritage. I support heritage designations and the heritage registry to protect our built heritage. I support making heritage and culture core pieces of our City's new Official Plan that will serve as a guide for growth and change in our City.</p>



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<p>Lesley Parnell</p>	<p>I have served on the Arts, Culture and Heritage Committee for 8 years. We have a Municipal Cultural Plan for reference but many great people advancing this portfolio. The Arts/Culture/Heritage aspect for our city is a major pillar of our identity and very important to any investor coming to Peterborough to create jobs. They are looking for a well-rounded "Quality of Life" for themselves and their employees. I have been personally involved with such projects as the Quaker Fire Memorial and the Grove Coronation Tree. Festivals of all kinds add to our recreation culture. I am working on a partnership for a beautiful pottery Mosaic with the Kawartha Pottery Guild that will include First Nations recognition and beautify where ever we can place it. The KPG also did the impressive ceramic Trillium project. I support our community grant program to assist many with their visions of preserving our arts, culture and heritage in long term sustainable ways. Even some service grants to help these artisans have a permanent, collective home. Art is sometimes overlooked for its value. However, there is great merit in public art to enhance our city. Murals downtown for example. I also was able to use a painting to raise over \$46,000 and many services/awareness for our homeless. I have also supported our Heritage Registry and respected any application for designation. On a personal level, when we renovated our own home, we spent 10 days preserving the heritage brick so it is available for heritage homes instead of going to landfill. That was being sustainable 16 years ago. That may not be "culture" but it proves my commitment to sustainability and respecting heritage.</p>
<p>Jason Andrew Wallwork</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Building and honouring relationships with First Nations and Metis Indigenous communities. • Welcoming newcomers and diversity. • Supporting the arts to stimulate our community, culture and creativity.
<p>Ryan Waudby</p>	
<p>Kim Zippel</p>	<p>Peterborough is known for its rich musical and arts scene, its glorious heritage buildings and vibrant downtown – support for all of these should be maintained and expanded. Welcoming newcomers to Peterborough has enriched both hosts and guests as well as bringing new cultures to add to the centuries of Indigenous history and hundreds of earlier immigrant experiences. We need to celebrate our diversity, our rich sense of art, music, film, theatre, sculpture, etc. We need to continue to explore paths of reconciliation with First Nations and Metis peoples who first settled Nogojiwanong. Finding economic support is key.</p>



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Candidate	Please tell us what policies you would support that address the goal of Ensuring Sustainable Social Policies.
Brock Grills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Build a drug rehabilitation center on the out-skirts of town • Continue to invest in "One City" Program • Look at various social services in the city and look to see if the city can do more
Bob Hall	<p>Housing, child care, and financial supports for low-income residents are critical responsibilities of local governments to build sustainable communities. I support working with the provincial and federal governments on social programs and investments in social services – and to advocate for levels of assistance that ensures all residents can live with dignity and have an opportunity to be engaged in our community.</p>
Lesley Parnell	<p>We do have affordable housing but it will never be enough. We do have drug awareness training but it will never be enough. I believe that the sooner we can give children a sense of self-worth in their lives, the better off they will survive and thrive. The logical place to help these children in our City is in school where everyone will receive the same education in life skills. The earlier the better. Right now we have 4 full time police officers in our schools but the program is starting too late. And we really do not need only police officers doing this education and encouragement of self worth. A young person with self esteem is less likely to do drugs. This is a community issue that falls to the school board, not city. However, we are connected. We need to go back to every single student in public school learning the very basics of a budget, healthy food planing & preparation and basic tool use including laundry. Like the old days of home economics. Breakfast programs are great but it would be so much better if children/parents could have a healthy breakfast at home. Because they know how to shop, prepare and can afford it. Today we must also concern ourselves with on-line dangers. I am very concerned about basic social skills now. Too much time is spent on a devise instead of having face to face human communication. This non-advancement is very detrimental to our youth succeeding in a life where your job depends on your real person life communication skills. Proper opportunity for education and basic life skills for all people is key.</p>
Jason Andrew Wallwork	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • With community input, develop and fund new, collaborative strategies to minimize homelessness in Peterborough. • Advocate for a guaranteed annual income. • Support safe mixed neighbourhoods for families, youth, and elders; develop and expand strategies in partnership with existing organizations to increase local food production and economies to ensure healthy and accessible food for all.



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Ryan Waudby	
Kim Zippel	Poverty, inadequate and precarious housing, food insecurity and homelessness continue to plague this city, the region and, indeed, the world. We have to invest in needs, get people involved in their own development in partnership with the city in working for equity together. By recognizing that inequality is a major threat to human security, we can begin to build a safer city where everyone has a place.

Candidate	Please tell us what policies you would support that address the goal of Ensuring Sustainable Environmental Policies.
Brock Grills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Again invest in Green tech innovation • Make sure we have green spaced inter-spliced into our urban and suburban area's • Swampland retention and sustainable development policies
Bob Hall	I support the visions in the Sustainable Peterborough and Climate Change Action Plan. I support protecting our green spaces because the environment is the foundation for sustainable culture, social and economic strength. I support bonusing for growth that goes above our community standards for densities, reducing their impact on our environment. I support setting higher standards for the municipal government itself so that it can serve as an example, as a leader for the private sector.
Lesley Parnell	Again. Any development must be "green", energy efficient and handle, for example, storm water, in a more appropriate way. It must be walkable and transit friendly to encourage walking/cycling/transit versus a car. Every time we build something it must be better for the environment than it was before. ie our new public works yard that will reuse and properly treat all rain/gray water to wash our buses/trucks and then treat in the sanitary system versus just letting it run off into the local creek/park. All trucks/snow plows will also be loaded up inside a dome versus outside in the environment. We are also using LED lights for street lights and any new sports field. Even our new sports field at Holy Cross will collect and properly use the rain water versus it just running into the adjacent park. I favour reforesting many of our 100 parks with trees versus just open space that must be mowed. We do need sports fields but a forested park with trails or opportunity for "hide and seek" in a neighbourhood park is also important for people and the environment. The environment is a key component in any application or report.



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Jason Andrew Wallwork	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Plan and protect a robust network of natural places that connect us to good health, each other and nature • Fund healthy transportation choices with good design, using cheaper, easier, greener solutions.
Ryan Waudby	
Kim Zippel	<p>I have worked on many local, environmental projects. Here are a few policy ideas based on that experience. I believe that we must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Promote active transportation, a walkable city, public transportation that meets job and leisure needs, and explore next generation transportation, such as electric buses, in collaboration with local groups such as Peterborough Green Up. • Follow the guidelines of “Kawarthas, Naturally Connected” and ensure that Peterborough establishes a natural heritage corridor with a Natural Heritage Coordinator at City Hall to make certain that natural heritage features and connections are established and protected. • Reinstate a multi-stakeholder Environmental Advisory Committee to Council. • Initiate smart traffic lights to synchronize signals and relieve congestion. • Compost and use our green waste locally. • Expand and upgrade our storm water management infrastructure to protect our rivers and streams. • Ensure development that respects the environment with minimal encroachment on natural systems. • Promote adaptive reuse of abandoned or empty buildings. • Support an economic and health benefit analysis of local ecological systems: wetlands, forest systems, biodiversity, etc. and incorporate the findings into city planning, budgets, and development.

Candidate	Please tell us what policies you would support that would increase transparency of government, democratic decision making, and citizen engagement.
Brock Grills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Remove the "Your Worship" title from the Mayoral Seat • Have all council meeting recordings organized topically on city website so that past meetings are easier to search • Hear my constituents and implement the policies that are important to Otonabee Ward.



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Bob Hall	<p>I support updating the City’s procedural bylaw to allow for true engagement with residents as part of the Council process, not just the shallow interactions that are allowed today with statements and questions – we need meaningful conversations that will lead to real change. I support allocating budget within major capital projects for substantial, meaningful consultation. I support listening to residents as a knowledge base that can help our local government make informed decisions on matters that affect our community.</p>
Lesley Parnell	<p>Some municipalities only have council meetings and limit the number of speakers to 3. Peterborough has a cycle where we all receive the information, have an initial vote and an opportunity to receive public input before a final vote 2 or 3 weeks later that includes allowing even unregistered delegates to speak. You can see our efforts in having more public consultation with our current and on-going Official Plan Review. We had a 4 day planning charrette with many stakeholders and public opportunity. We have a new Official Plan working group and a new citizen lead Planning Advisory Committee. All Councillors are very available to their constituents for input. We are very transparent and inviting of opinion. There are rules and laws around closed session items and these rules are strictly followed by all of us. At the end of the day, after the preliminary agenda, recommendation and meeting, then the opportunity for anyone to contact any Councillor, we have a final council meeting and make a decision. The job is to make a decision on behalf of our citizens. We are very democratic. It is democracy in action whether you win or lose. It is not only democratic when you win and not democratic if you lose. And win or lose, we have listened to our citizens. Just because we may vote the other way, with many other citizens, does not mean we did not listen to you. No referendum has ever been binding because not enough people vote. We elect people to do all this homework, research, engagement and, in the end, make an educated decision in the best interest for the vast majority of the citizens. Anyone is welcome to step forward and put their name on the ballot.</p>
Jason Andrew Wallwork	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Permit direct questions from citizens. (this is actually listed in my platform and has been since the beginning of my campaign. Basically, a People’s question period at Council on a bi-monthly or quarterly basis.) • Continue the participatory budget program.
Ryan Waudby	



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Kim Zippel

As a Councillor for Otonabee Ward, it is my responsibility to respond to neighbourhood and individual concerns while contributing to the determination of the public good of the whole community. This is a balancing act that I will enjoy and it builds on the experience I have gained by working with individuals, groups, businesses, different levels of government, and community organizations. I listen. I research. I collaborate. Overall, I believe the city should:

- Spend wisely with a focus on essential needs as identified by our community.
- Engage our local post-secondary institutions in support of fact-based decision making.
- Use asset-based community management to identify and protect foundational infrastructure.
- Avoid unplanned, piecemeal development.
- Prepare for extreme weather – the community and all city departments have a role.
- View all city policies through the lens of Sustainability which I have done for many years. We are unique with our Peterborough Sustainability Plan and the Climate Reduction Plan. These reports must be part of every decision. We need to support staff training across departments in this type of integrated planning, cost-benefit analysis and decision-making.
- Get people involved – a more participatory government is a more accessible, transparent government.