

TOWN OF CARMAN / R.M. OF DUFFERIN

**HERITAGE RESOURCE MANAGEMENT PLAN
2011**

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Executive Summary

The Town of Carman and the R.M. of Dufferin are committed to protecting their heritage resources for the benefit of current and future generations. *The Heritage Resources Act (1986)* provides authority for the Town and the R.M. to designate and protect local heritage resources and to develop initiatives that will encourage, support, educate and promote the management and sustainability of historic resources in the community.

Goal #1 - *To maintain current inventories of heritage sites in the R.M. of Dufferin*

Objective A - Ensure that current, comprehensive information on heritage sites is available to the public.

Goal #2 - *To investigate new sites for possible municipal designation.*

Objective A - Begin research of sites identified for possible designation such as the Cochrane House, Campbell's Store, CIBC Building.

Goal #3 - *To promote public awareness and appreciation of heritage sites in the Town of Carman and the R.M. of Dufferin.*

Objective A - Participate in pilot project through Historic Resources Branch to enhance website information on local heritage resources.

Objective B - Develop a plan for placing plaques or signs on historically significant sites in the Town of Carman and R.M. of Dufferin.

Objective C - Promote awareness among students the community through jointly developed information tours and associated assignments.

Objective D - Promote newspaper coverage of heritage-related events.

Objective E - Ensure brochures are available at strategic locations in the community.

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MUNICIPAL HERITAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MISSION STATEMENT

To maintain community commitment in Carman/Dufferin for the identification, preservation, and promotion of heritage resources and to provide opportunities for public awareness, education and participation in heritage conservation.

Activities of the C/D MHAC in 2010

The Carman/Dufferin Municipal Heritage Advisory Committee (MHAC) was re-activated in February, 2010, having been inactive since 2007. The Committee prepared an interim Heritage Resource Management Plan, identifying goals and objectives for our 2010 activities and to lay a foundation for our work in 2011. The Committee's goals and objectives and the extent to which we were able to implement the 2010 plan are summarized below:

Goal #1 - To reactivate the Carman/Dufferin Municipal Heritage Advisory Committee.

Objective A - Re-establish a committee as designated in *Town of Carman By-law No. 09/1935/ R. M. of Dufferin By-law No. 1846.*

The committee has been actively functioning since February 2010. *Town of Carman By-law No. 09/1935* and *R. M. of Dufferin By-law No. 1846* provide that the Committee should be composed of eight (8) members with one member each from the Town of Carman, the R.M. of Dufferin, the Dufferin Historical Society, and the Carman Chamber of Commerce, and four members from the town or municipality. Members in 2010 were: Nedra Burnett (Chair); Ina Bramadat (Deputy Chair), Lila Letkeman (Secretary/Treasurer), George Gray (R.M. of Dufferin), Ed Vandersluis (Town of Carman), Shirley Snider (Dufferin Historical Society), Lyle Gowan, Julie Heskith, Barry Rose, Mary Heard. We have unable, to date, to recruit a member from the Chamber of Commerce.

Objective B - Locate relevant studies, documents and records from prior committees and research groups.

The committee experienced some difficulty locating previous records and earlier resource plans.

Documents were retrieved from the Municipal offices, former member of the Committee, Manitoba Historic Resources Branch, and other sources. Copies of relevant by-laws provided general direction for reorganization and a framework for committee activities. The *1984 Review of Heritage Resources for the Boyne Planning District* was a useful source for background information on the municipality. The last prior Municipal Resource Heritage Plan was prepared in 2003; it was used as a resource for preparing the 2010 plan. An inventory of designated municipal sites was completed.. As of November 2010, it seems likely that all relevant documents that are available have been retrieved.

Objective C - Develop a plan for preserving and archiving MHAC records.

To ensure that records are preserved and accessible for future committees, the C/D MHAC set up a sub-committee (N. Burnett, S. Snider, George Gray, Ed Vandersluis) to develop a plan for archiving relevant Committee documents. A filing cabinet was purchased and negotiations are on-going to determine where MHAC records can best be stored. At present, they will be held in the Dufferin Historical Museum. A policy on archiving records is being developed.

Goal #2 - To review existing inventories of heritage sites in the R.M. of Dufferin

Objective A - Ensure that an updated register of designated heritage sites is available to the MHAC and to the public through the Municipal Office as required in our By-laws.

Descriptions of designated sites have been located and compiled in a binder; this material will be available through the Municipal office. Heritage site certificates are hanging on display in the Boyne Regional Library.

Objective B - Begin compiling a resource manual with information and photographs of designated and non-designated heritage sites in the Municipality.

N. Burnett has collected photographs of commemorative signage in the municipality and is assembling the photos in a binder. When the project is completed, copies will be available in public sites such as the Boyne Regional Library and the Dufferin Historical Museum.

Goal #3 - To promote public awareness of heritage sites in the Town of Carman and the R.M. of Dufferin

Objective A - Reprint local walking tour brochures.

Julie Heskith and Barry Rose carried this project forward, in consultation with the Dufferin Historical Museum, which was working on a similar project. Brochures were revised, printed and distributed to a number of local sites.

Objective B - Begin research and preparation of a municipal heritage site map.

This project is still in the planning stage; to continue in 2011.

Objective C - To explore the feasibility of including additional heritage sites in the geo-cache network.

Lyle Gowan began work on this project; it is on hold since he moved out of province.

Goal #4 - To develop a plan for placing plaques and signs on historically significant sites in the Town of Carman and R.M. of Dufferin.

Objective A - Identify historically significant sites (designated and non-designated) that have not been recognized by placement of plaques or signs.

A sign erected in 1961 to mark the location of the Missouri Trail has disappeared. S. Snider and N. Burnett are working on plans for replacement. The Dufferin Historical Museum has been researching the history of businesses in the Town of Carman. The committee agreed to support this work through a signage program, i.e., placing informational signs on town buildings. Drafts of wording for two signs and specifications for signage have been developed by S. Snider. The Committee will determine the number and type of signs that can be erected annually within budget; the plan is to place a minimum of two plaques on buildings in 2011

Roseisle School (designated site) and the Ryall Hotel and Grandstand sites in Carman were identified for possible commemorative plaques. No further action was taken in 2010.

Goal #5 - To investigate new sites for possible municipal designation.

Objective A - Determine owner interest in obtaining municipal designation for other historically significant sites.

The Committee identified the Cochrane house in Carman, Campbell's Store in Roseisle and the former CIBC/Masonic Lodge for further research in 2011..

Objective B - Direct owners interested in heritage recognition towards resources that can assist them in the designation/recognition process.

N. Burnett provided direction to a community group wishing to place a marker at the site of the former Ukrainian church north of Roseisle.

Goal #6 - Encourage public awareness of, and appreciation for, heritage resources.

Objective A - Publicize findings arising from research on historically significant sites, eg., newspaper write-ups, as plaques or signs are installed.

We had newspaper presence at the school tour. This objective will carry over to 2011.

Objective B - Mount displays at relevant community events.

MHAC shared a table at the 2010 Carman Fair with the Dufferin Historical Museum.

Student education. Although not in our objectives for this year, committee members J. Heskith and L. Letkeman worked collaboratively with Carman Collegiate teachers to arrange a tour of the Memorial Hall, Dufferin Historical Museum and Town of Carman for sixty Grade 11 students. An optional assignment on a local settler or veteran will be evaluated by committee members and teachers and prizes awarded by the MHAC.

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Goal #1 - To maintain current inventories of heritage sites in the R.M. of Dufferin

Objective A - Ensure that current, comprehensive information on heritage sites is available to the public.

The C/D MHAC By-laws require that information on heritage sites is available to the public through the municipal office. The Committee will maintain currency of this information and will include photographs and information on other non-designated sites in the Town and Municipality. The Committee will explore the feasibility of placing copies of this information in the Boyne Regional Library and the Dufferin Historical Museum.

Goal #2 - To promote public awareness and appreciation of heritage sites in the Town of Carman and the R.M. of Dufferin.

Objective A - Participate in a pilot project through the Historic Resources Branch to enhance website information on local heritage resources.

A template for heritage content on municipal websites is being developed by the Historic Resources Branch, Manitoba Government. The C/D MHAC will participate in the pilot project by researching and developing local content that can be inserted into the template. The Committee has identified several areas of potential content including: an overview of the history of the R.M. of Dufferin; a map of the municipality featuring coded heritage locations, a legend, links to labelled photographs and information on the individual sites; and an index of Municipal heritage sites. Currently available information such as the Carman Walking Tour brochure may also be included. Photographs will be organized thematically, labelled and available through links using the format already developed by the local website. These activities will be coordinated with the existing website managers.

Objective B - Develop a plan for placing plaques or signs on historically significant sites in the Town of Carman and R.M. of Dufferin.

Research is under way towards placing informational signs on town buildings. Drafts of wording for two signs and specifications for signage have been developed by the Committee. The C/D MHAC will determine the number and type of signs that can be erected annually within budget. The Committee also plans on placing a minimum of two plaques on buildings in 2011. We will continue to research additional sites in the Town of Carman, with potential for future expansion of the signage project to other locations in the municipality.

The C/D MHAC has been researching the placement and wording of the original Missouri Trail marker which was erected by the Dufferin Historical Society in 1961. The sign has since disappeared. The Committee plans on replacing the sign in 2011.

Other signage that will be in the research and planning stages in 2011 include: the Ryall Hotel and Grandstand sites and Roseisle School. The latter is an unmarked, designated municipal site.

Objective C - Promote heritage awareness and education among students in the community through jointly developed information tours and associated school assignments.

The C/D MHAC proposes continuing the high-school heritage awareness project begun in 2010. The current format will be evaluated by the Committee in conjunction with teachers and students who participated in 2010 and will be revised accordingly.

Objective D - Promote media coverage of heritage-related events.

A member of the Committee has been designated to promote media coverage of significant heritage events and other heritage information of interest to the public.

Objective E - Ensure brochures are available at strategic locations in the community.

Members of the Committee will monitor brochure locations monthly to ensure adequate supplies are available, reprinting brochures as necessary.

Objective F - Promote Carman/Dufferin heritage resources at events such as the Carman Fair, Wellness Fair and similar events.

Goal #3 - To investigate new sites for possible municipal designation.

Objective A - Begin research of sites identified for possible designation eg. Cochrane House, Campbell's Store, CIBC Building.

Work in 2011 will be exploratory, involving contact with property owners and research into the historical significance of the site.