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Ms. Pat St. Louis
Chair/Coordinator for the Action Group Committee
Member for Innovation for Maynooth Station
32 Maynooth Station Road
Maynooth, ON
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Dear Ms. St. Louis:

At the last meeting of the Hastings County Finance, Property and Personnel Committee meeting your correspondence dated April 2, 2013 regarding planning and upcoming work on the Maynooth Station was received. The Committee discussed the merits of the project and although supportive around the having the station restored, we need to caution you and your volunteers against conducting work on the property until final approval is received from Infrastructure Ontario and the County of Hastings.

As you know, the property is co-owned by the Corporation of the County of Hastings and the Province of Ontario. The County of Hastings has been in contact with Infrastructure Ontario regarding the status of the Maynooth Station and have been advised as you have, that they undertaking their due diligence review of the property.

We have also been advised that this can be quite a lengthy process. Our concern of course, is the liability the County faces if someone is hurt while working on the building/property.

While we appreciate your enthusiasm around the project and are supportive of it, we must also ensure that there are no risks associated with liability.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Jim Pine
Chief Administrative Officer