

Resilience Checklist:

Site: 17 UBORNE

Date: March 20, 2004

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Table 1: Resilience: How well was the site able to cope with shocks or stresses?

Date	Sector	Poor	Sat.	V.W.	Comments/Examples
1986	Private/Market				
1986	Public/Bureau.				
1986	Civic/Assoc.				
1986	Family/Comm.				
1991	Private/Market				
1991	Public/Bureau.				
1991	Civic/Assoc.				
1991	Family/Comm.				
1996	Private/Market				
1996	Public/Bureau.				
1996	Civic/Assoc.				
1996	Family/Comm.				
2001	Private/Market			X	Industrial livestock: a number of studies highlighted the negative impact of industrial livestock operations in Huron County. This created concerns generally in the agriculture industry, which eventually led to mandatory nutrient management programs for farms.

2001	Public/Bureau.		x		Town of Exeter and the townships of Stephen and Usborne agreed to amalgamate and form the new Municipality of South Huron. Viewed positively in Usborne as residents identify with Exeter and other urban centers close by. Potential conflict between town and country has surfaced occasionally, but is not an on-going concern.
2001	Civic/Assoc.			x	Threat of school closure: a group of parents and residents formed in response to the threat of closure. This group convened several public meetings and presented their case for keeping the local school open. The group still exists, doing fundraising activities to buy books and support field trips.
2001	Family/Comm.		x		Threat of school closures raised many concerns within Usborne and neighbouring communities. Friends of Usborne Central School formed by concerned parents and residents. Final decision kept Usborne Central Public School, while another local school (Huron Park) closed. This cannot really be called a success because in the end it was felt that the School Board did what they felt needed to be done regardless of what residents thought.

Capacity Checklist

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Table 2: Capacity: How well was the site able to...?

1996	Fam/C.	Anticipate				
1996		Get Inf.				
1996		Debate				
1996		Act				
1996		Support				
1996		Evaluate				
2001	Priv/M.	Anticipate				
2001		Get Inf.				
2001		Debate				
2001		Act				
2001		Support				
2001		Evaluate				
2001	Pub/Bur	Anticipate		x		Municipal amalgamation: with the looming threat of a Provincially mandated amalgamation, municipalities in Huron County started discussions.
2001		Get Inf.		x		Municipal amalgamation: several options were developed
2001		Debate		x		Municipal amalgamation: options were debated, primarily among staff and politicians
2001		Act			x	Municipal amalgamation: recommendation made to form Municipality of South Huron accepted, approved, and implemented

2001		Support	x			Municipal amalgamation: limited Provincial support
2001		Evaluate	x			Municipal amalgamation: no formal evaluation
2001	Civ/Ass.	Anticipate				
2001		Get Inf.				
2001		Debate		x		Threat of school closure: public meetings were well attended and lively
2001		Act			x	Threat of school closure: group formed
2001		Support		x		Threat of school closure: widespread local support
2001		Evaluate				
2001	Fam/C.	Anticipate			x	United church re-organisation: future problems anticipated if both Elimville and Thames Road churches maintained.
2001		Get Inf.				
2001		Debate				
2001		Act			x	United church re-organisation: Two congregations first shared one Minister, then the congregations merged, agreed to raze Elimville church, sold parts of church to raise funds, erected cairn to commemorate church site.
2001		Support				
2001		Evaluate				