Paris North Boundary Review – Working Committee Meeting #1

October 14, 2026



Boundary Review Working Committee

Agenda

- Land Acknowledgement
- Introductions
- Boundary Review Process
  - Terms of Reference
  - Boundary Review Working Committee
- Information Review
- Review Area Considerations
- Community Issues
- Future Meeting Dates



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Land Acknowledgement

*Grand Erie District School Board recognizes **Six Nations of the Grand River** and **Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation**, as the longstanding peoples of this territory. We honour, recognize, and respect these communities as well as all First Nations, Metis and Inuit Peoples who reside within the Grand Erie District School Board. We are all stewards of these lands and waters where we now gather, learn and play, and commit to working together in the spirit of Reconciliation.*

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Welcome/Introductions

- Superintendent of Education – **Dina Atanas** (Chair)
- Superintendent of Business – **Rafal Wyszynski**
- Planning Supervisor – **Nathan Hercanuck**
- Planning Officer – **Elizabeth Berestecki**
- School Administrators
  - Burford District Public School – **Andy Schuyler**
  - Cobblestone Elementary School – **Cheryl Bannister**
  - Glen Morris Central Public School – **Latha Reuben**
  - North Ward Public School – **Jayne Hexamer**
  - Paris Central Public School – **Adam Walker**
  - Paris North Elementary School – **Tara Cronkwright**

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Terms of Reference

- **Purpose**
  - Conduct a review of the attendance area of a school or group of schools within a specified review area of the Board
  - Advise and provide recommendations to Board of Trustees on attendance area changes in review area
  - **School closures cannot be considered under a Boundary Review process**

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Terms of Reference

- **Membership**
  - Superintendent of Education responsible for the identified school(s) (chair)
  - Planning Supervisor
  - Planning Officer
  - Principal of the identified school(s)
  - **Up to two School Council Representatives of the identified schools**
  - Superintendent of Business
  - Additional resource personnel as required

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Terms of Reference

- **Responsibilities**
  - Review Objectives
  - Public information and access
    - Website
  - Boundary options
  - Community consultation and public meetings

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Information Review

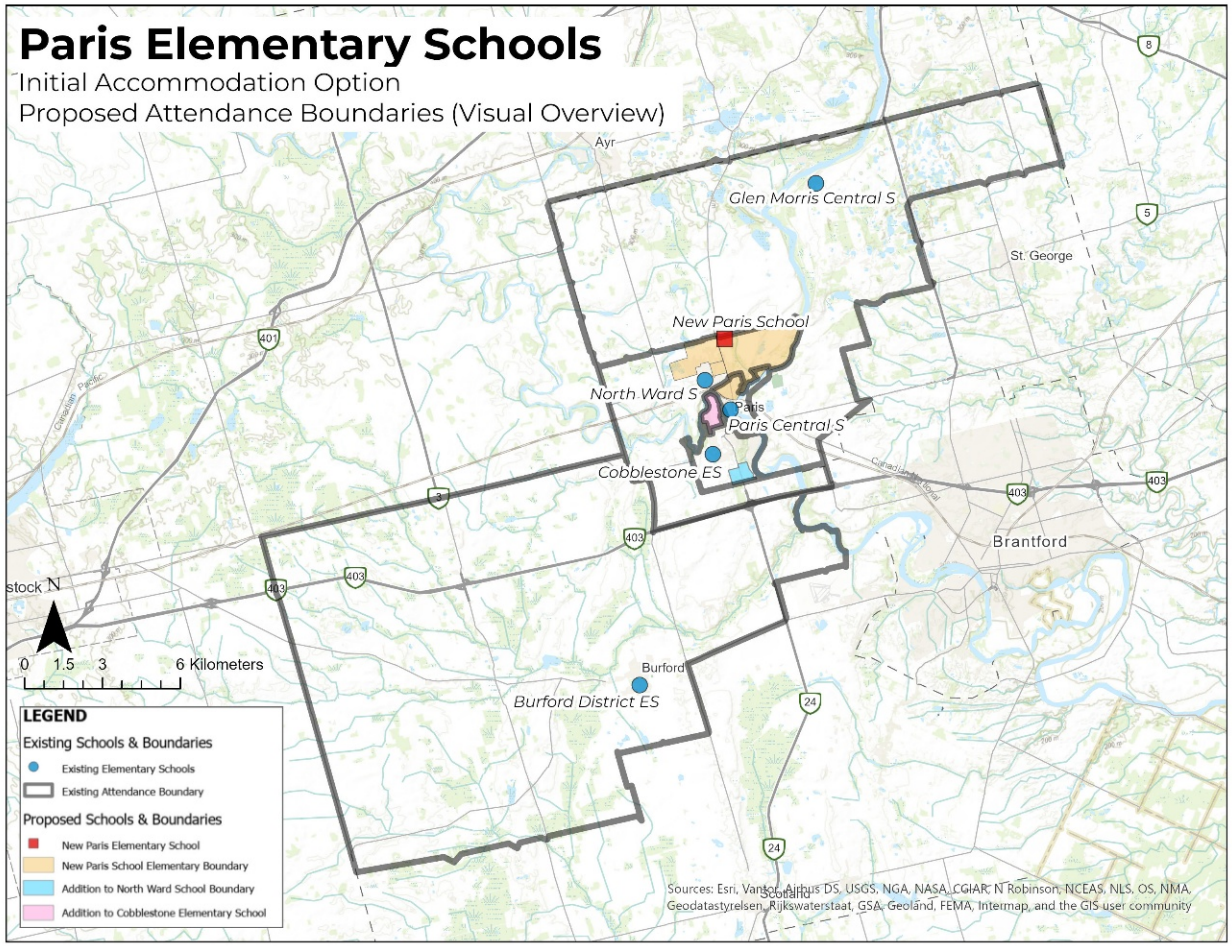
- Recent growth in town of Paris has contributed to enrolment pressure at existing elementary schools
- Growth has prompted a holding boundary to be established for the Nith Peninsula development
- Continued and planned development in both north and south Paris is expected to increase enrolment pressure at North Ward School
- Recent opening of an eight-classroom addition at Cobblestone Elementary School provides for additional capacity at this school
- In 2025, Grand Erie received Ministry of Education approval and funding for the construction of a new elementary school in Paris, which is scheduled to open September 2028
- The new elementary school in Paris will relieve enrolment pressures at North Ward School and Paris Central Public School

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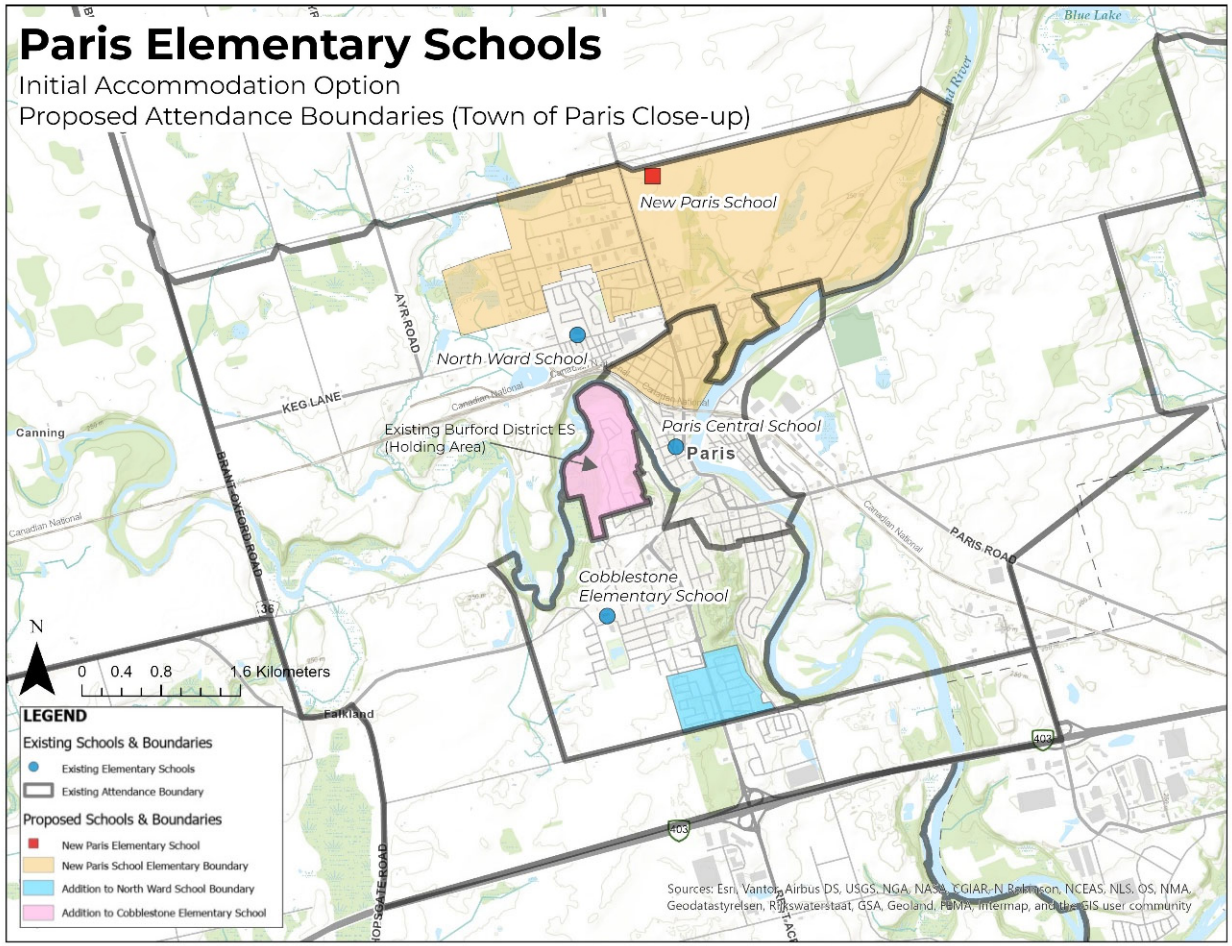
Information Review

- This Boundary Review process will establish the attendance area boundary for the new Paris North Elementary School and reduce enrolment pressures at existing schools in Paris
    - Capacity of 536 students
    - 64 space childcare facility
    - Scheduled to open September 2028

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Projected Enrolment and Capacity Utilization - Initial Accommodation Option

			Enrolment[1]									
			Prior to New School Opening				After New School Opening					
School	Capacity	Current Portables	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2031	2033	2035	2037
Burford District Elementary School	541	2	505	508	503	506	514	520	520	520	535	544
Cobblestone Elementary School[2]	720	4	595	596	600	601	472	481	508	549	572	620
Glen Morris Central Public School	176	0	204	213	207	201	195	196	210	224	235	258
North Ward Public School	489	0	504	521	514	503	438	449	452	446	450	468
Paris Central Public School	259	0	243	257	269	275	181	182	188	192	201	211
New Paris School	536	0	0	0	0	0	374	391	421	445	457	486
Total	**2721**	**6**	**2051**	**2095**	**2093**	**2086**	**2174**	**2219**	**2299**	**2376**	**2450**	**2587**

			Capacity Utilization[1]									
			Prior to New School Opening				After New School Opening					
School	Capacity	Current Portables	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2031	2033	2035	2037
Burford District Elementary School	541	2	93%	94%	93%	94%	95%	96%	96%	96%	99%	101%
Cobblestone Elementary School[2]	720	4	111%	111%	83%	83%	66%	67%	71%	76%	79%	86%
Glen Morris Central Public School	176	0	116%	121%	118%	114%	111%	111%	119%	127%	134%	147%
North Ward Public School	489	0	103%	107%	105%	103%	90%	92%	92%	91%	92%	96%
Paris Central Public School	259	0	94%	99%	104%	106%	70%	70%	73%	74%	78%	81%
New Paris School	536	0	0%	0%	0%	0%	70%	73%	79%	83%	85%	91%
Total	**2721**	**6**	**75%**	**77%**	**77%**	**77%**	**80%**	**82%**	**84%**	**87%**	**90%**	**95%**

NOTES:

1. Including OOB students

2. Cobblestone ES capacity was 536 prior to 2026

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Review Area Considerations

- Transportation
- School Utilization (Enrolment/Capacity)
- Legacy Student Options

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Community Issues

- Transportation/walking distance to school
- School Utilization (Enrolment/Capacity)
- Legacy Student Options/Transitions

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Future Meeting Dates

- October 20, 2026 @ 6pm – **Working Committee Meeting #2**
- October 28, 2026 @ 6pm – **Public Meeting #1**
- November 4, 2026 @ 6pm – **Working Committee Meeting #3**
- TBD – **Public Meeting #2**
- TBD - **Working Committee Meeting #4**
- November 18, 2026 – Draft Paris North Boundary Review Report
- November 30, 2026 – **Regular Meeting of the Board**

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Future Meeting Dates - Draft Agenda

- Working Committee Meeting #2
  - Further discussion of initial scenario
  - Discuss alternate accommodation options
  - Roundtable/Q&A

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- Public Meeting #1
  - Presentation of preferred accommodation option
  - Collect public feedback

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- Working Committee Meeting #3
  - Review public meeting feedback
  - Discuss accommodation option implementation elements (legacy student options, etc.)

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Round Table Discussion

Please submit comments and questions to

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Thank you!