



Date: **June 17, 2022**  
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 Subject: **Construction of New South Chatham Catholic Elementary School – 601 Tweedsmuir Avenue West**

**Background**

On March 28, 2017, the St. Clair Catholic District School Board approved the consolidation of the six elementary school communities of Georges P. Vanier, Our Lady of Fatima, St. Agnes, St. Joseph, St. Ursula, and St. Vincent Catholic Schools in Chatham as part of a pupil accommodation review process. Subject to Ministry approval and funding availability, two new schools would be constructed - one in north Chatham for the students of Our Lady of Fatima, St. Agnes, and St. Vincent Catholic schools; and one in south Chatham for the students of Georges P. Vanier, St. Joseph, and St. Ursula Catholic schools. On August 4, 2017, the Ministry of Education approved the consolidation request for a new 564-pupil place elementary school along with a three-room child care in south Chatham.

+VG Architects of Brantford, ON has been engaged as the prime consultant for this project and has collaborated with the Board on the tendering process. Four (4) submissions were received on May 10, 2022. The lowest compliant bid was offered by Norlon Builders of London, ON at a cost of \$21,921,732. The consultant confirmed that the bid is free of exclusions and qualifications. Subsequently, through a post tender addendum issued to the low bidder the contract base bid is now \$21,706,092. The contract value of this project requires Board approval in accordance with Sec. B Policy – Purchasing.

Estimated Project Cost:

Contract Base Bid	\$21,089,092
Cash Allowances	617,000
Building Permit & Fees	193,559
Professional Fees & Inspections	856,588
Furniture & Equipment	150,000
Contingencies (1%)	232,435
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	\$ 23,138,674
HST (net of rebates)	495,614
Total Project Cost	<hr/> <hr/>
	\$23,634,288



Administration can confirm that the Capital Approval Process required by the Ministry has been followed.

### **Recommendations**

**That the St. Clair Catholic District School Board receive the report: *Construction of New South Chatham Catholic Elementary School – 601 Tweedsmuir Avenue West* for information.**

**That the St. Clair Catholic District School Board approve the award of the contract for the Construction of New South Chatham Catholic Elementary School – 601 Tweedsmuir Avenue West to Norlon Builders of London.**