# **COMMUNITY UPDATE**

## **Queen's Park Reconstruction Project**



## Project Update

Planning for the reconstruction of the Macdonald Block Complex is progressing well with construction expected to begin in 2019. Updates include:

• **Procurement:** The process of selecting a project team to design, build, finance and maintain the Macdonald Block Complex is well underway. Prequalified teams will be announced in January 2018 following an open *Request for Qualifications* process which launched earlier this year. The prequalified teams will be invited to participate in the *Request for Proposals* stage of the procurement which is expected to begin in February 2018.

#### About the Project

The Queen's Park Reconstruction Project (QPRP) is an initiative that involves the extensive reconstruction of the Macdonald Block Complex and the rehabilitation of the Whitney Block. Infrastructure Ontario is leading the QPRP procurement process and is responsible for managing the project during design and construction.

Please send questions or comments to: **QPRP@infrastructureontario.ca** 

- **Regulatory:** The Category B Class Environmental Assessment (Class EA) for the reconstruction project is complete. A Class EA is a study that examines the potential environmental effects (positive and negative) of a proposed project and identifies ways to manage negative environmental effects before the project begins.
- **Operations:** Changes have been made to the Macdonald Block Complex cafeteria. The full cafeteria servery and kitchen have closed, however, beverages and 'Grab and Go' items such as pastries, sandwiches and snacks are available. The seating area also remains open to members of the community.

#### **Work Underway**

Here's what to expect over the next few months as planning for the reconstruction of the Macdonald Block Complex continues.

**Selective stone removal:** Workers using a mast crane (i.e., metal scaffolding with a moveable work platform) continue to remove, examine and reinstate several stone panels from each tower of the Macdonald Block Complex. This work began in October and is expected to continue through March 2018. Construction noise may be heard after normal business hours, however, all activities will be conducted in compliance with the City of Toronto Noise by-law.

