



# City of Peterborough Media Release

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## **Participatory Budgeting Celebration: 999 Hilliard Street Pollinator Garden**

A celebration will be held at noon on July 6, 2018 to highlight the success of the Hilliard Street Pollinator Garden, a project funded by the City of Peterborough 2016 Participatory Budgeting Project.

999 Hilliard Street is one of eight pollinator gardens that were built through the inaugural Participatory Budgeting Project. The successful projects resulted in the construction of a network of pollinator gardens, with the goal of creating a healthy habitat for pollinators in Peterborough, supporting the City's natural ecosystems.

The July 6th celebration will include the unveiling of a new educational sign that will inform garden visitors about the importance of providing pollinator-friendly habitats within urban centres.

“Pollinator populations are in steep decline and our goal is to reverse that trend through education, awareness and an invitation to all that we can make a difference by actively providing pollinator-friendly habitat,” said Carlotta James, Project Lead for the Hilliard Street Pollinator Garden Project. “We welcome those interested in pollinator gardens to join our conversation about having Peterborough be officially recognized as a Bee City.”

“This celebration is the final step in this Participatory Budgeting Project, which saw citizens from across Peterborough working together to propose, create, design and install pollinator-friendly garden projects across the City,” said Councillor Henry Clarke, Chair of the Budget Committee. “It is a fine example of the impact City residents can make on our community.”

The public is invited to attend the event on July 6th at 12:00 pm at 999 Hilliard Street.

This information is also on our [City of Peterborough website](http://www.peterborough.ca) ([www.peterborough.ca](http://www.peterborough.ca)).

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