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# Plan guides town to next century

**JOAN RANSBERRY**  
 Staff Reporter

It's a wrap.  
 On Tuesday, following two years of deliberation and \$300,000 in costs, Whitchurch-Stouffville

Council gave the nod to a master plan for the area known as Old Stouffville, taking in the downtown area.  
 "This is an historic day for the community," said planning consultant Elizabeth Howson.

The overhaul includes a population projection of 30,000 for the designated area and a community-wide pedestrian and bicycle system.  
 The area stretches north to Bethesda Road, west to Highway 48, just north of 19th Avenue to the south, and east to the York-Durham Line.  
 "The plan is based on the community's vision to maintain its small-town tradition with links to both the surrounding rural-environmental areas and to the adjacent urban areas," Howson said.

As well as a public review, a 10-member committee, made up of six residents and town staff members worked alongside Howson to prepare the plan.  
 A Secondary Plan is critical to planning because it's used as a guide when determining what goes where.  
 The plan contains policies and maps which provide council with direction on a number of issues considered to be key to maintaining the unique character of Stouffville.  
 These issues include supporting

the "preservation of the downtown core, existing residential communities and heritage buildings," said Howson.  
 To protect the natural environment, the plan also has a "greenlands system", said Howson.  
 The Secondary Plan pinpoints where new schools and parks would be located as well as where new industrial and commercial uses will be allowed in order to provide more employment within Stouffville, said Howson.  
 It is, indeed, a historical time,  
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**FRUITS OF THEIR LABOUR:** Mita Petrovski and Elizabeth Jankulovski reach for the best apples on the tree at an orchard on 10th Line in Stouffville.  
 Photo by STEVE SOMERVILLE

# Police charge dad with abuse

York Regional Police have laid charges against a 60-year-old Georgina man after two Stouffville women reported they were sexual-

ly assaulted as children.  
 Police Sergeant John Sheldon said the sisters reported the sexual interference by their father began in 1971.  
 At the time, the sisters were 11 and 12 years old, while their father was 33 years old.  
 Police were told one of the girls

was subjected to repeated sexual abuse for a number of years, said Sheldon.  
 The man was released on his own recognizance. He'll make his first court appearance in Newmarket on Oct. 29.  
 To protect the victims, the man will not be identified.

# Big thanks to donors

**JOAN RANSBERRY**  
 Staff Reporter

The thanks is "three fold" because the giving "tripled," reports an elated local food bank official.  
 The Thanksgiving Food Drive was record-setting, said Esther Powell, co-ordinator of the Stouffville Food Bank.  
 "I am overwhelmed with the generosity shown by this community," said Powell. "We received triple the amount of food (this year as) compared to last," said Powell.  
 Over the past four weeks, food poured in from individual households, schools, churches, businesses and from service clubs. "Some  
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**@random**  
 What's on Saturday  
 ■ **GREEN THUMBERS:** Stouffville Horticultural Society features guest speaker Helen Skinner, past-president of the Garden Club of Toronto.  
 At 8 p.m Skinner will take her audience back in time to look at "The History of Canadian

Gardening".  
 The event takes place at the Stouffville United Church basement, 34 Church St. N. Seed sale starts at 7 p.m. For more information call 640-0784.

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