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Stouffville's Luanne Griffin shot this photograph of Queen Elizabeth II in 1983 during a tour of the Vancouver Aquarium. Ms Griffin was a docent at the facility.



Sandy Howson (from left), Nelda Morley, Theresa Waslenko and Audrey Gibson celebrate Queen Elizabeth II's Diamond Jubilee at the Silver Jubilee 55 Plus Club in downtown Stouffville Monday. The celebration included an English tea and costumes, obviously.

\$4.13M TO RENOVATE TOWN HALL SPACE INTO SR. CENTRE TOO MUCH FOR COUNCILLOR

Seniors boo council for putting off move

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A chorus of boos rang out as Whitchurch-Stouffville council voted four to two in favour of deferring the seniors' centre move into town hall, while staff investigate all other reasonable options, including an interim solution. "That's a bummer," noted one senior as she left the packed council chamber following 90 minutes of discussion on the facility.

"Wait until they get to be seniors," said another disappointed elder attendee.

About 140 seniors packed the council chamber, with more in the hallway watching the presentation by Rob Raycroft, director of

leisure and community services for the town, on a big-screen TV, which detailed the adaptive re-use of the municipal building's vacant space and the 55 Plus Club's move into it.

"There isn't a facility in town I can think of that would suit our needs," said Wilf Morley, president of the Whitchurch-Stouffville Silver Jubilee 55 Plus Club. Mr. Morley, a former councillor, also noted by researching alternative sites now, it could take another two to three years before another one is found.

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"Think about it, council, 2014 is an election year. I don't mean it as a threat," Mr.

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