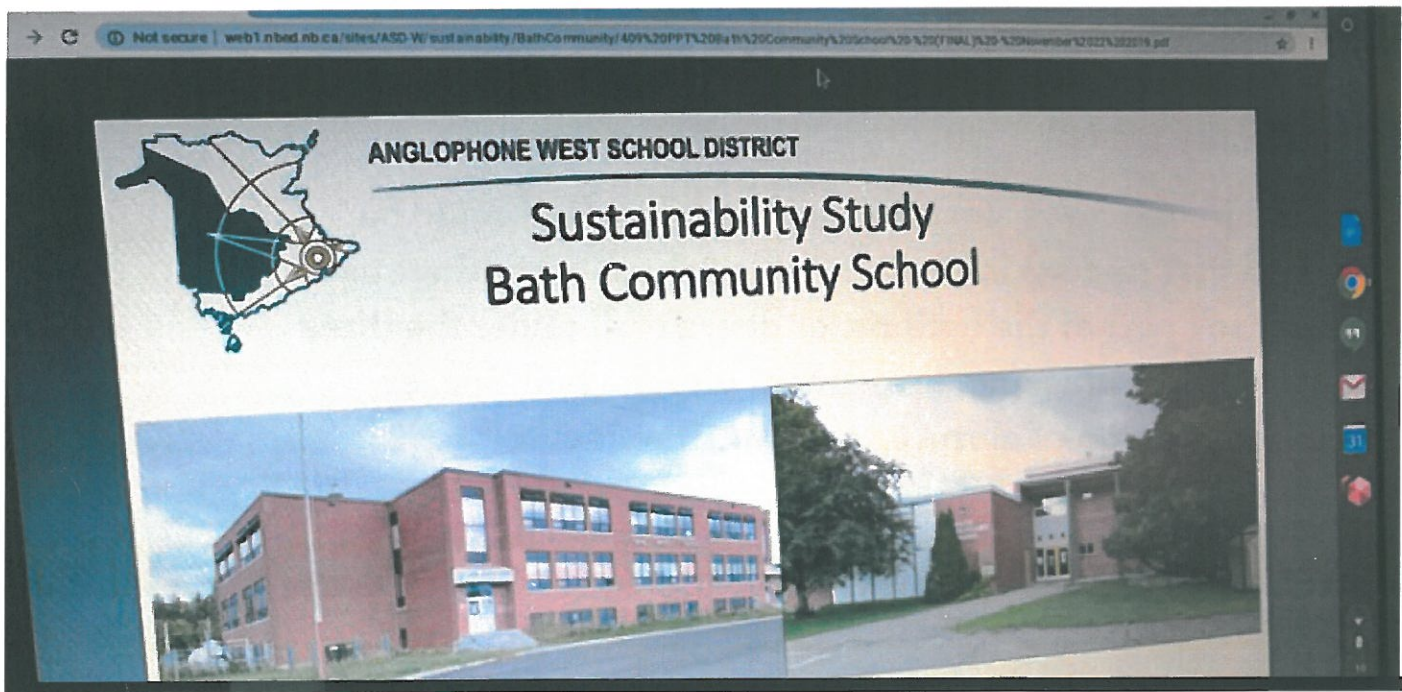


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Keeping Bath Middle an option: Superintendent



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Keeping the former Bath Middle School is an option, according to Anglophone West's superintendent David McTimoney.

During a public meeting of the district education council held in Fredericton on Dec. 12, the superintendent took time to clarify there is an option to keep the school and continue the renovations that were started before asbestos were found, halting the project.

The most recent public meeting hosted by the district regarding the sustainability study of the schools in the Carleton North area, including Bath Middle, was held at Bath Community School.

"I noted in one news story, there was a point that could be debated that said asking Bath Middle School to continue as a school isn't part of the options, or doesn't fall under the three categories of status quo, investment into the building, or recommendation of closure," said McTimoney.

"I would disagree with that. If this council would like to debate the continuation of Bath Middle School as the K-8 school, it is within your jurisdiction to continue those conversations. It would fall under category two, where you would need to make a request to the minister to invest."

McTimoney admitted, though, the situation around Bath Middle is complex.

"The topic is a little more convoluted because we're really talking about the school as an organization, but two schools when it comes to buildings," the superintendent said. "It's unique when we look at the considerations that you'll talk about and debate as you [the DEC] work towards a decision in the middle of March. "

He added an up-to-date timeline has been posted on the Anglophone West website for the public to better understand the situation involving Bath Middle.

The Carleton North sustainability study includes Florenceville Elementary School, Florenceville Middle School, Bristol Elementary School and Bath Community School. Centreville Community School is excluded from the process.

McTimoney also said there is now a call out to the public to register if they wish to present during the next round of public meetings on Jan. 18 and Jan. 25.

Anyone with questions surrounding any portion of the sustainability study is encouraged to submit them via the Anglophone West website.

