The Black Horse Pub and Restaurant

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I would like to take this opportunity to thank the citizens of Peterborough for supporting me as an individual and as a business owner for the past 40+ years. In my journey I have had the ability to establish three business's in downtown Peterborough......Falstaff's Pub and Rockwell's......The Legendary Red Dog Tavern and The Black Horse Pub and Restaurant. I am very grateful for the friendship and support that has always been extended to me.

I moved to Peterborough in 1980 to begin my career at The Holiday Inn. Peterborough called to me. Presently I am a resident of East City where I have established my family home. It's time for me to make time for my family. With a great deal of thinking and consideration I have decided that it's time for me to pursue a new journey in a new and exciting direction.

I have enjoyed the hospitality industry, where I have met a lot of interesting people from different walks of life and made many lifelong friends.

The world around us is growing and changing very rapidly. Perhaps it's time for Peterborough to think in the same direction. We have the ability to create new prospects. It is possible to blend the old with the new. Peterborough is moving in a forward direction allowing prosperity and new job opportunities.

I respect the PACAC however sometimes a new vision could be refreshing.

I commend the city council for moving forward with the recommendations to build and revitalize the down town core. As the owner of the Black Horse I have been patiently waiting for 12 years for consideration of the rebuild of the Y project as it would have generated more downtown business.

Paul Dietrich from Parkview Homes has a new vision and wants to invest and revitalize our downtown.

As Councillor McWilliams's said "just because Hank Williams got drunk at the pigs ear and could not do the show does not mean it deserves a heritage designation".

As a business owner I have had the privilege to serve and protect a wide variety of patrons. This is my home away from home =friends and family.

I encourage you to ask your councillors to allow this developer the opportunity to enrich the downtown community of Peterborough.

I would like to thank the community for your support and inspiration over the years.

Ray Kapoor