

Queen Alexandra Elementary School

Atop the hill to the north, on Barnardo Avenue, is one of the oldest schools still standing in the city. Construction of the North Ward School began in 1889, and it was occupied a year later. It was expanded in 1907 to serve as a Model School to train student teachers from the new Peterborough Normal School, and was renamed Queen Alexandra in honour of the wife of King Edward VII. The phasing out of the school began in 1967, and it ceased to offer any classes in 1973. Three years later it was taken over by the City of Peterborough and was renamed the Queen Alexandra Community Centre. It has since been a facility for a variety of cultural and recreational services to the city and district.