

Editorial ? New life for an old school?

We like the idea broached at a recent community meeting that the old Alton Public School building, unoccupied since 2014, should have a new life as a museum.

As matters stand, the only museum in Peel Region is a long way away in Brampton, and Orangeville residents have been known to complain at the distance they are from the Dufferin County Museum and Archives, which at Airport Road and Highway 89 is much closer to Alliston than Orangeville.

Museums are certainly a valuable form of infrastructure that can be of more than limited interest to outsiders as well as residents of the local community.

Alton might be seen as an ideal location for such a facility, with its own rich history and existing attractions like the Alton Mill and the Millcroft Inn. And there's an old school that's not doing much.