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## THOMAS MEMORIAL LIBRARY

**Learn about the results of our library study  
And the decisions our community is facing concerning  
our library.**

What follows is a **brief overview** of the TML library study and suggestions on how you can learn more.

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**When was the library study done?  
Who did the study?**

In 2007, Library Consultants, Local Engineers, and Casaccio Architects were hired to assess our existing Library Facility and make recommendations based on their findings.



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## **What did the study look at?**

The study assessed the following:

- The overall state of the buildings/facility
- A review of current layout and space plan
- Identification of mechanical deficits
- A recommendation of a future Library Facility which will meet Community Needs for 20-30 Years.



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## **What was found?**

**Over 100 Deficiencies were identified, including:**

Non compliance with ADA Requirements

Serious HVAC Issues (Air Quality and Heating challenges)

Inadequate Structural Support

Water Damage, Unsound Foundation Walls, Mold

Electrical Wiring Beyond Capacity





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## **What are the immediate needs?**

We need to address the following hazards:

Electrical/Fire Hazards

Foundational Hazards

Mold/Mildew Hazards

Meet ADA Standards

Meet Materials and Holdings recommendations



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## **What about long term solutions to the issues facing TML?**

The study identified 3 different options on how we might proceed:

1. Reprogram Existing Space
2. Renovate and expand Reusing Some Existing Structures
3. Build a New Facility



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## **What was the recommendation of the study?**

The recommendation was to build an entirely new facility. But after careful consideration, based on input from town officials and the public, a decision was made to alter this recommendation to better suit Cape Elizabeth's needs.



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## **What is the final recommendation for our Library's future?**

The recommendation is to preserve and renovate the Pond Cove School and the lovely green space in the front on Scott Dyer Road. And to add a new two-story wing to the back. This approach is a good compromise between old and new, retaining the historical sensibility while bringing the building into the next generation.





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## **How do I Learn more?**

**Go To our website for more information:  
[WWW.thomasmemorallibrary.org](http://WWW.thomasmemorallibrary.org)**

**Attend a Library Information Night in  
January/February 2012.  
Look for more info forthcoming on  
Info Night dates.**

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