



# FIVE YEAR REVIEW OF THE COUNTY OF PERTH OFFICIAL PLAN

April 18, 2013

## AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and Nature Thereof
3. Purpose of Meeting
4. Public Meeting
  - purpose of Official Plan
  - current County Official Plan
  - Provincial Planning legislation
  - 5-year review process
  - comments from public and agencies
5. Next steps
6. Concluding Remarks
7. Adjournment



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## Purpose of the Official Plan.....what is an Official Plan?

- a municipal policy document adopted under the Provincial Planning Act that sets out a land use policy vision for the area based on long-term goals and objectives
- Council's primary tool for establishing land use policy, making land use decisions, and managing physical change
- provides a way to evaluate and separate conflicting land uses while meeting local County and Provincial interests



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## Purpose of the Official Plan.....what is an Official Plan?

- an Official Plan lets the public know the municipality's general land use planning policies and helps the public understand how their lands may be used, both now and in the future
- Section 24 of the Provincial Planning Act states that, despite any other general or special Act, where an official plan is in effect, no public work shall be undertaken and no by-law shall be passed for any purpose that does not conform to the official plan



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## County of Perth Official Plan

- County was prescribed by Province in 1995 to prepare an official plan
- County Official Plan was adopted by County Council on Dec 11, 1997
- initial MMAH approval on June 12, 1998 was subject to appeals
- appeals dealt with by OMB, with OMB orders in 1999 and 2002
- initial 5-year review resulted in adoption of OPA No. 47 in 2006
- OPA No. 47 was subject to appeals, with OMB's order in 2008



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## County of Perth Official Plan

- adopted December 11, 1997
- replaced the official plan documents of the former eleven Townships in the County
- applies to the entire County area, with official plans for Listowel, Mitchell and Milverton Wards providing detailed policies for these respective wards serves as the only official plan for the rural ward areas



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## County of Perth Official Plan

- is a long range policy document that sets goals and objectives and contains detailed policies to implement these goals and objectives
- directs and guides land use policy and physical planning on a County-wide basis
- provides a policy framework for issues such as resource management, growth management, natural areas, hazard areas, and implementation measures



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## County of Perth Official Plan

- establishes and sets out specific land use policies for land use designations including: Agriculture; Settlement Areas; Mobile/Modular Home Parks; Urban Fringe Areas; Mineral Aggregate Resources; Natural Resources/Environment; Recreation; and Flood Plain Areas
- contains policies for the division of land, including subdivisions and consents/land severances
- contains land use schedules/maps for the purpose of identifying the various land use designations in the official plan



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Ontario Planning Act states:

## Section 16.1

An official plan shall contain goals, objectives and policies established primarily to manage and direct physical change and the effects of social, economic and natural environment of the municipality.

## Section 16.2

An official plan may contain :

- (a) a description of the measures and procedures proposed to attain the objectives of the plan;
- (b) a description of the procedures for informing and obtaining the views of the public in respect of a proposed amendment to the official plan or proposed revision to the plan.....





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**Ontario Planning Act states:**

**Section 24(1) Despite any other general or special Act, where an official plan is in effect, no public work shall be undertaken and no by-law shall be passed for any purpose that does not conform to the official plan**

**Provincial Policy Statement (2005) issued under Section 3 of the Ontario Planning Act sets provides policy direction on matters of provincial interest related to land use planning and development**

**Section 3 requires that decisions affecting planning matters “shall be consistent with” the PPS (2005)**

**PPS (2005) currently under review by the Province**



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## County Official Plan – Five Year Review

- tonight's special public meeting is being held pursuant to Section 26(3) of the Ontario Planning Act to consider and determine whether there is need to revise the County Official Plan
- the meeting is intended to provide the public and interested agencies with an opportunity to provide the County with their comments on the need to revise the County Official Plan
- tonight's meeting is the first step of the current five year review process



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## County Official Plan – Five Year Review

- following tonight's meeting, County Planning staff will be meeting with Provincial Ministries, local municipal Councils, local Planning Committees, and others (e.g. farm organizations) to hear their comments on the need to revise the County Official Plan
- County Planning staff will prepare a report for County Council outlining all the comments made on the need to revise the County Official Plan and providing recommendations to Council



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## County Official Plan – Five Year Review

- based on it's review and consideration of the various issues raised, County Council will determine what revisions are required and should be proceeded with
- any revisions that are proposed are subject to the official plan amendment process as set out in the Ontario Planning Act and a further public meeting must be held in respect to any proposed revisions/amendments to the County Official Plan