

5 Year Official Plan Review

The Town is undertaking a 5-Year Review of its Official Plan, and has retained WSP Canada Group Limited to assist in the Review. Your input is important to assist in identifying the issues and matters that should be addressed in the Town's Official Plan to direct and manage future growth and development in the Town.

Visit this page for study updates, project information, and the details of upcoming consultation events.

What is an Official Plan?

The Official Plan is a statement of goals, objectives and policies intended to guide future land use, physical development, and growth within the Town of Kingsville. The policies of the Plan are designed to promote the public interest in the future development of the Town, reduce uncertainty relating to future development, and to provide a basis for the Zoning By-law and other land use controls.

Ontario's *Planning Act* requires municipalities to conduct an Official Plan Review every five years. The Town's current Official Plan was approved in February 2012. Based on the requirements of the *Planning Act*, it is now time to update the Official Plan to ensure that the policies of the Plan are consistent with the latest Provincial policies, the County of Essex Official Plan, and other various planning studies and strategies that have been completed by the Town since the current Official Plan was approved. The focus of this scoped Official Plan Review is intended to primarily address matters of Provincial and County policy conformity.

Project Process



The Official Plan Review is being undertaken in three Stages which generally include:

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- **Stage 1 – Background Review and Consultation Strategy (Winter 2018):** includes a review of key issues and proposed policy directions to be considered to implement new Provincial and County planning frameworks. Holding a Special Meeting of Council, to allow the public opportunity to identify matters to be reviewed. Stage 1 also includes the preparation of a Communications and Consultation Strategy to outline methods to engage with the community and stakeholders.
- **Stage 2 – Policy Formulation (Spring 2018):** includes the preparation of a Draft Issues and Policy Directions Report to identify recommended policy approaches to address the key planning issues, based on background reviews and community consultation. This will include the preparation of a Draft Official Plan Amendment to update the Official Plan policies based on the recommended policy directions. A series of three public open houses will be held throughout the Town to present the Draft Official Plan Amendment.
- **Stage 3 – Prepare Final Official Plan Amendment (Fall 2018):** a Final Official Plan Amendment will be prepared and presented at a Statutory Public Meeting, followed by consideration of Council for adoption. The Adopted Official Plan Amendment will then be submitted to the County of Essex for approval.

Documents and Presentation Materials

- **Special Meeting of Council** – A Special Meeting of Council was held on February 12, 2018 to provide an opportunity for the public to offer comments to Council regarding any issues or matters that should be considered in the Official Plan Review. A copy of the presentation and Staff Report are available here:
 - Presentation
 - Staff Report

We want to hear from you!

You are encouraged to provide input into the Official Plan Review process. We would like your input to identify areas of the Official Plan which may be revised through the review process. Input received from the public will be considered in the review and update to the Official Plan.

If you have questions or would like to provide comments on the Official Plan Review, please contact:

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