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# Notice of Public Open House and Public Meeting

#### On-line Open House September 29, 2022 from 6:00 PM to 7:30 PM Online & In-person Public Meeting October 6th, 2022 at 9:30 AM.

to consider proposed changes to the County of Bruce Official Plan.

The County is updating its Official Plan pursuant to Section 26 of the Planning Act. The first phase of this Project is to amend the County's current Official Plan to establish an updated growth management framework to take us to the year 2046. The proposed changes will help ensure that the County and the local municipalities adequately plan for growth. The proposed amendment applies County-wide.

The second phase of the Project will introduce a comprehensive new Official Plan for the County in 2023. The new Official Plan will incorporate the proposed Phase 1 amendment being presented at this Statutory Public Open House and Statutory Public Meeting.

## Learn more

Discover more at: www.planthebruce.ca or by emailing planthebruce@brucecounty.on.ca, calling 226-909-5515, or viewing in-person at the Bruce County Planning Office between 8:30 AM and 4:30 PM (Mon to Fri). The Planner on the file is: Jack Van Dorp.

## Have your say

Prior to the meeting, questions, concerns, or objections about the amendment can be sent by email to <u>planthebruce@brucecounty.on.ca</u>, by mail, or to 226-909-5515. Comments and opinions submitted prior to decision will become part of the public record.

## How to access the public meeting

#### Virtual Public Open House

Thursday, September 29, 2022, from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Please email planthebruce@brucecounty.on.ca or call 226-909-5515 to register for the virtual public open house.

#### In-person and Virtual Statutory Public Meeting Thursday, October 6th, 2022, at 9:30 a.m.

Join the meeting in-person at 30 Park Street, Walkerton, by phone, or virtually. Please call or email ahead if you wish to participate by phone or virtually. The agenda, public video livestream, and postmeeting video recording can be viewed at www.brucecounty.on.ca/government/agendas- andminutes.

## Stay in the loop

If you'd like to be notified of the decision of the approval authority on the proposed application(s), you must make a written request to the Bruce County Planning Department. For more information about this matter, including information about appeal rights, <u>planthebruce@brucecounty.on.ca</u>

If a person or public body would otherwise have ability to appeal the decision of the Province to the Ontario Land Tribunal but the person does not make oral submissions at the public meeting or make written submissions to the County before the by-law is passed, the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decision.

If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the County before the by-law is passed, the person or public body may not be added as a party to the hearing of an appeal before the Ontario Land Tribunal unless, in the opinion of the Tribunal, there are reasonable grounds to do so.

#### What's Next?

The Province of Ontario is the approval authority for this amendment to the County's Official Plan under Section 26 of the Planning Act. If the County adopts the amendment, it will then be sent to the Province for final consideration.

Pursuant to Section 1.0.1 of the Planning Act and in accordance with Section 32(e) of the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, it is a policy of the County to make all planning applications and supporting material, including signed written submissions regarding the application, and received by the Clerk, available to the public.