
Notice of the Adoption of an Official Plan

Official Plan for the Township of Springwater

Take notice that the Council of The Corporation of the Township of Springwater passed **By-law 2023-075** to adopt a new Official Plan for the Township of Springwater, subject to approval by the County of Simcoe, on the 5th day of July 2023, pursuant to Section 17(22) of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, as amended. This Notice of Adoption is issued pursuant to Section 17(23) of the Planning Act.

Prior to the adoption of the Official Plan, statutory Public Meetings were held on December 5, 2019 and March 8, 2023 and statutory Public Open Houses were held on November 14, 2019 and February 23, 2023, in accordance with the Planning Act.

Purpose and Effect

The new Official Plan is intended to manage and direct long-term growth and development throughout the Township of Springwater. The Official Plan achieves this by providing goals, objectives and policies related to: managing growth, improving transportation systems, facilitating economic development, protecting and enhancing natural heritage features and resources, and supporting and building on the strengths of the community. Further, the Official Plan contains policies that implement legislation, regulation and policies from the Provincial and County levels while reflecting the priorities of the Community.

The new Official Plan has been developed through the consideration of community and stakeholder input as well as the completion of background planning studies and reports.

Available for Review

A complete copy of the newly adopted Official Plan (By-law 2023-075) is available for inspection at the Township of Springwater Administration Centre between 8:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. Monday to Friday or on the Township of Springwater Website:

www.springwater.ca/opr.

Written and Oral Submissions

All statutory written and oral submissions made on the new Official Plan have been reviewed and suggestions incorporated, where appropriate; for further information, please refer to the Stakeholder Comment & Response Matrix document available on the Township's website at www.springwater.ca/opr.

Further Notice or Appeal of Official Plan

Under the provisions of Section 17(2) of the Planning Act, the County of Simcoe being the upper-tier municipality is the approval authority for a new lower-tier Official Plan adopted under Section 17(22) of the Planning Act. As such, the Adopted Official Plan has been forwarded to the County of Simcoe for review, as required by Section 17(31) of the Planning Act.

Any person or public body will be entitled to receive notice of the decision of the approval authority with respect to the new Official Plan, if a written request (including the person's or public body's address, fax number or email address) to be notified of the decision is made to the approval authority is made to:

County of Simcoe
Planning Department
1110 Highway 26
Midhurst, ON L9X 1N6

Only individuals, corporations or public bodies may appeal a decision of the County regarding the new Official Plan to the Ontario Land Tribunal. A notice of appeal may not be filed by an unincorporated association or group. However, a notice of appeal may be filed in the name of an individual who is a member of the association or the group on its behalf.

Dated at the Township of Springwater on the 13th day of July 2023.

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