TOWN OF ST. MARYS NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING - FIVE YEAR OFFICIAL PLAN REVIEW



TAKE NOTICE that, pursuant to Section 26 of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, the Council of the Corporation of the Town of St. Marys will hold a public meeting on Tuesday, October 10, 2017 at 6:00 pm in the Town Hall Council Chamber (175 Queen St. E) regarding the five-year review of the Town's Official Plan.

Ontario's Planning Act requires municipalities to conduct an Official Plan review every five years to ensure it conforms with or does not conflict with provincial plans, has regard to matters of provincial interest and is consistent with provincial policy statements. The Town has initiated a review and update of the Official Plan in accordance with these Planning Act requirements and to support new strategic goals and community priorities with respect to growth and development in the Town.

AN OFFICIAL PLAN is a statement of goals, objectives and policies intended to guide future land use, physical development, and growth in the Town of St. Marys. The policies of the Plan are designed to: identify and promote a vision and character for the community; direct the future orderly and efficient growth of the Town; identify where municipal services and infrastructure are required; reflect the collective aspirations of residents and business owners; identify how natural, cultural and other resources should be protected; support healthy and sustainable community principles; and provide a basis for the Zoning By-law and other land use controls.

TELL US WHAT YOU THINK by attending this statutory public meeting to provide your input on what should be reviewed and updated in the Official Plan. This will also be an opportunity to learn more about the Official Plan review project and how you can participate throughout the process. Anyone wishing to address Council with respect to the Official Plan review will be given an opportunity to do so at the public meeting. You may provide written comments to Council up until the time of the public meeting. Note that there will also be a number of other opportunities to participate in this process.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION and materials related to the Official Plan review project are available through the Building and Development Department at the Municipal Operations Centre, 408 James St. S, P.O. Box 998, St. Marys, ON, N4X 1B6 (phone: 519-284-2340 ext. 243) or the Town's website at www.townofstmarys.com. If you are unable to attend this meeting but would like your comments and/or concerns received by members of Council, please submit written statements to Brent Kittmer, Clerk/CAO (see contact details below).

PLEASE NOTE: Comments and opinions submitted on these matters, including the originator's name and address, become part of the public record, may be viewed by the general public and may be published in a Planning Report and will be included in the Council agenda and minutes. Council agenda and minutes are published on the Town of St. Marys website at www.townofstmarys.com.

DATED AT THE TOWN OF ST. MARYS THIS 1st DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2017.

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