# **Public Notice**



### WHITBY OFFICIAL PLAN REVIEW

#### **COMMUNITY OPEN HOUSE & SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL**

DATE: Wednesday, May 29, 2024:

Community Open House: 6 – 7pm

Presentation to Council: Beginning at 7pm

LOCATION: Town Hall Council Chambers: 575 Rossland Road East,

Whitby, ON L1N 2M8. Please see below for how to

participate in-person or online.

**Have Your Say!** The Town of Whitby is undertaking a five-year review of the Whitby Official Plan. This first Community Open House and Special Meeting of Council will outline the key project study areas for the Official Plan Review, provide opportunities to ask questions, and tell you how to stay informed and involved.

Background information will be provided during the Community Open House portion of the evening. The Special Meeting of Council will include a presentation followed by a question-and-answer period.

This Special Meeting of Council is required by Section 26(3) of the Planning Act and directs Council to consult with the approval authority (in this case, the Region of Durham) and other prescribed public bodies, as well as hold a Special Meeting of Council open to the public to generally discuss the revisions that may be required as part of the Official Plan Review.

**Why review the Official Plan now?** The population of Whitby is forecasted to grow to approximately 240,000 by 2051. The Official Plan guides where and how land in our municipality should be used in a sustainable manner over time, for important things like houses, parks, schools and roads.

Whitby already has a comprehensive <u>Official Plan</u> that was updated last in 2018. This next review will focus on updating key study areas, to plan for more housing and jobs to the year 2051, while also conforming to changes in legislation and policy made by the Province, and the Region of Durham's new <u>Regional Official Plan – Envision Durham.</u>

To speak virtually during the Special Meeting of Council, please submit a <u>Delegation Request Form</u> online to the Office of the Town Clerk by 10 a.m. on the day of the meeting.

Those wishing to speak in-person are encouraged to submit a <u>Delegation Request Form</u>, but are not required to pre-register in order to speak at the Meeting. Should you be unable to access a computer, please call 905.430.4315 to speak with a Staff Member in the Office of the Town Clerk.

**To submit written correspondence**, please email your correspondence to the Office of the Town Clerk at <a href="mailto:clerk@whitby.ca">clerk@whitby.ca</a> by noon on the day of the meeting.

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Correspondence must include your full name, address, and the item on the agenda that your correspondence is related to.

To view this meeting online visit the Town's <u>live stream feed</u> while the meeting is in progress. Please visit <u>whitby.ca/CouncilCalendar</u> for more information about the live stream and archived videos.

If you have accessibility needs and require alternate formats or other accommodations, call 905.430.4315 to speak with a Staff Member in the Office of the Town Clerk.

**Future Notification:** To receive future notification about the Official Plan Review, please visit: **connectwhitby.ca/OPreview**, to complete an Interested Party Form, or contact the Planning and Development Department at the contact information provided below to sign up to become an Interested Party.

By signing up to be an Interested Party, you are requesting ongoing project information for the Official Plan Review, including notice of any related Public Meetings, and information about appeal rights. Information will be collected in accordance with the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act. With the exception of personal information, all comments will become part of the public record.

**Project Contact:** For additional information, please contact the Official Plan Review team at the contact information provided below. Please provide your name, address, postal code, telephone number, and email address if you have one. Please quote file number: OPA-2023-W/02.

### Official Plan Review Team - Planning and Development Department

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**Learn More:** To learn more about the project, including how to access materials, and how to stay informed, please visit: **connectwhitby.ca/OPreview**