

The Township of Adelaide Metcalfe will hold an open house, pursuant to Section 17(16) of the Planning Act, R.S.O., 1990, as amended, to provide an opportunity for public input in relation to proposed changes to the Adelaide Metcalfe Official Plan resulting from the five-year Official Plan review.

At the open house, staff will provide an overview of the Discussion Papers representing key themes, including recommended amendments to the Adelaide Metcalfe Official Plan. The key themes include Agriculture, Employment, Natural Heritage and Housing. The public will be offered an opportunity to provide feedback and ask questions.

Changes to the Official Plan are being proposed to ensure consistency with the Provincial Policy Statement and conformity with the County of Middlesex Official Plan. Due to the large geographic extent and wide distribution of lands potentially affected by the proposed amendment, no map of these areas is provided with this notice. There are no other applications that affect the entire Township of Adelaide Metcalfe.

WHAT IS AN OFFICIAL PLAN?

The Township's Official Plan is a comprehensive document, which contains goals, policies, and land use schedules. The Official Plan is a 25-year policy framework for land use decisions and sets the context for detailed planning and provision of municipal services. The Official Plan indicates where housing, agriculture, industry, commercial and retail land uses will be located. We are required by the Province to review our Official Plan every five years to ensure that it conforms with the latest provincial policies and the County of Middlesex Official Plan, and to consider recent municipal planning studies and reports.

If you are interested in taking part in the meeting:

- Date: Monday May 6th, 2024
- Time: 7:00pm
- Location: Hybrid (Zoom and 2340 Egremont Drive, RR 5, Strathroy, Ontario)

You must register to participate online.

The meeting is open to the public at 2340 Egremont Drive. You will have an opportunity to speak to the presentation, in person, at the meeting.

Send your request via email to mbarnier@adelaidemetcalfe.on.ca

The meeting can also be watched live on our YouTube channel.

APPEAL PROCEDURES:

If a person or public body would otherwise have an ability to appeal the decision of Council for the County of Middlesex to the Ontario Land Tribunal but the person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the Township of Adelaide Metcalfe or the County of Middlesex before the proposed official plan amendment is adopted, 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 Township of Adelaide Metcalfe before the proposed official plan amendment is adopted, 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.

The County of Middlesex is the delegated approval authority for Official Plan Amendments thereto. If you wish to be notified of the decision of the County of Middlesex with respect to the proposed official plan amendment, you must submit a written request to the County of Middlesex, Planning Department, 399 Ridout Street North, London, Ontario N6A 2P1.

For More Information:

Additional information regarding Official Plan Review including the current Official Plan, proposed changes to the Official Plan and the Discussion Papers can be found by visiting our website at: <https://www.adelaidemetcalfe.on.ca/Official-Plan-Review>