



NOTICE OF SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING



CONCERNING PHASE 1 - INITIATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF BAYHAM OFFICIAL PLAN REVIEW 2024

TAKE NOTICE that Council and the Corporation of the Municipality of Bayham will hold a Special Council Meeting under Section 26(3) of the *Planning Act*, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter P.13. for the initiation of the Municipality of Bayham Official Plan Review project.

AND TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Bayham will hold this Special Council Meeting on **Thursday, May 23, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.** in the Municipal Council Chambers, 56169 Heritage Line, Lower Level, Stratfordville, ON N0J 1Y0. The Special Council Meeting will allow for a hybrid meeting function. You may attend in-person or virtually through the live-stream on the Municipality of Bayham's [YouTube channel](#).

THE PURPOSE of this Special Council Meeting is to introduce the Official Plan Review project to Council and the public with respect to the proposed workplan, objectives, estimated timelines, and future opportunities for participation. A presentation will be made by the consultant team, Arcadis, who will be leading the project on behalf of the Municipality. The current Bayham Official Plan was approved in February of 2019 and Municipalities are required under Section 26 of the *Planning Act* to conduct an Official Plan Review every five (5) years to ensure the Official Plan:

- Is consistent with the Provincial Policy Statement;
- Has regard to the matters of provincial interest, and;
- Conforms with the County of Elgin Official Plan.

The purpose of an Official Plan Review is to ensure that policies of the Official Plan are in conformity with provincial and County plans and policies and continue to meet the community's vision for future change and development.

This Official Plan Review is a municipal-wide initiative affecting all lands within the jurisdiction of the Municipality of Bayham.

ANY PERSON may attend the Special Council Meeting and/or make a written or verbal representation to provide comments or questions. The Municipality encourages your comments throughout the Official Plan Review process. If you have any comments, questions, require further information, or would like to be added to the project mailing list for updates and to be notified of the future decision of the County of Elgin on the proposed Official Plan, please email or mail to:

- opreview@bayham.on.ca
- Municipal Office: Attention - Official Plan Review (56169 Heritage Line, P.O. Box 160, Stratfordville, ON, N0J 1Y0)
- Oral submissions may also be expressed at Open Houses or the Statutory Public Meeting.

All comments received will form part of the public record and will be circulated to Council, Municipal Staff, and Arcadis.

IF A PERSON OR PUBLIC BODY would otherwise have an ability to appeal the decision of the County of Elgin 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 Municipality of Bayham before the proposed Bayham Official Plan 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 Municipality of Bayham before the proposed official plan 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 add the person or public body as a party.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION relating to the proposed Official Plan Review project may be obtained on the Municipal Website or at the Municipal Office.

Dated at the Municipality of Bayham this 16th day of May 2024.

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