



NOTICE OF OPEN HOUSE & PUBLIC MEETING
pursuant to Section 17, 22 and 26 of the Planning Act
**REGARDING AN OFFICIAL PLAN AMENDMENT TO IMPLEMENT
THAMES CENTRE'S FIVE-YEAR OFFICIAL PLAN REVIEW**

TAKE NOTICE that the Municipality of Thames Centre will hold a virtual open house and virtual public meeting to provide an opportunity for public input in relation to proposed changes to the Thames Centre Official Plan resulting from the five-year Official Plan review. Details of these sessions are provided:

Virtual Open House Wednesday, May 11, 2022 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM	Virtual Public Meeting Monday, May 16, 2022 1:00 PM
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The virtual Open House and virtual Public Meeting will be broadcasted live on the Municipality's YouTube Channel, namely: <https://www.youtube.com/c/municipalityofthamescentre>

To register to participate in this virtual Open House or virtual Public Meeting via phone or by video using Zoom, please visit the Municipality's website at <https://www.thamescentre.on.ca/registration>

Written comments can be submitted by email at comments@thamescentre.on.ca or by regular mail at Municipality of Thames Centre, 4305 Hamilton Road, Dorchester, Ontario, N0L 1G3

At the Virtual Open House, staff will provide an overview of the Discussion Papers representing five (5) key themes which includes recommendations for changes to the Thames Centre Official Plan. Those themes include Housing, Employment, Agriculture, Natural Heritage and Climate Change. The public will be offered an opportunity to provide feedback and ask questions. At the Virtual Public Meeting, staff will also provide an overview of the Discussion Papers and recommendations for changes to the Thames Centre Official Plan. There will also be an opportunity for questions and comments by Council and members of the public.

Changes to the Official Plan are being proposed to ensure conformity with the County of Middlesex Official Plan and consistency with the Provincial Policy Statement. Due to the large geographic extend and wide distribution of land potentially affected by the proposed Amendment, no map of these areas is provided with this notice. There are no other applications which affect the entire Municipality of Thames Centre.

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 Municipality of Thames Centre 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 Municipality of Thames Centre 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.

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.thamescentre.on.ca/together-we-grow-again>. If you have any questions, please contact Marc Bancroft, Director of Planning and Development Services, at 519.268.7334 x223 or at mbancroft@thamescentre.on.ca

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.

DATED at the Municipality of Thames Centre, this 20th day of April, 2022.

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