

OFFICAL PLAN FIVE-YEAR UPDATE – LAUNCH MEETING

The Municipality of Southwest Middlesex is undertaking a five-year update of its Official Plan. The current Official Plan has been in effect since 2007.

What is an Official Plan?

An Official Plan is a legal document containing goals, objectives and policies to guide land use, development and growth in a municipality. The plan includes policies that are related to urban and settlement areas, agriculture, infrastructure, recreation, and natural heritage features. The Municipality's current Official Plan is available for download and inspection online at: <u>https://www.southwestmiddlesex.ca/laws/southwest-middlesex-official-plan</u>

Why does an Official Plan need to be reviewed and updated?

Municipalities are required to revise their official plan to ensure that it is consistent with the Provincial Policy Statement (2020), and has regard to matters of provincial interest, such as planning for appropriate location of growth and orderly development of safe and healthy communities, protection of agricultural resources, the protection of ecological systems, including natural areas, features and functions, etc.

How to get involved:

The Municipality of Southwest Middlesex welcomes your input and would like to hear from you!

- Attend one of our future public meetings;
- Share your thoughts and ideas with your local Councillor or Municipal staff;
- Put pen to paper and send us your comments during the public consultation process!

Monteith Brown Planning Consultants (MBPC) will be undertaking the project and will facilitate the public consultation process including future public meeting sessions. All updates will be made available for review on the Municipality's website at https://www.southwestmiddlesex.ca/services/planning-services. Opportunities for additional input will be provided as the review process advances and further details with respect to timing and scheduling will follow. Please feel free to contact the undersigned should you have any questions.

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Electronic Meeting

The Launch Meeting will be held **ELECTRONICALLY** on **Wednesday April 27th, 2022 at 4:00 p.m**. due to **COVID-19 meeting protocols**. You can participate in the webinar using the information below – please register prior to the meeting:

https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_cbdHeI3PRnGaWhCjx4k3RQ

The Launch Meeting will be **live-streamed** at the Municipality's YouTube Channel beginning at 5:30 pm on the date indicated above.

Members of the public who do not have access to a computer are asked to call the Municipality at 519-287-2015 by **noon on Tuesday**, **April 26**, **2022** before the meeting for assistance.

Questions about Electronic Meeting protocol may be directed to the Clerk by email <u>ibellchamber-glazier@southwestmiddlesex.ca</u> or telephone at 519-287-2015.

DATED AT GLENCOE, ONTARIO this 13th day of April, 2022.

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