

NOTICE OF AN OPEN HOUSE AND PUBLIC MEETING REGARDING THE TOWN'S NEW DRAFT OFFICIAL PLAN

THE PURPOSE of the Public Meeting will be for Council to hear and consider public comments related to the proposed draft official plan policies prepared as part of the Sailing Forward Official Plan Review, pursuant to the provisions of Section 17 of the *Planning Act*, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter P.13.

The Open House and Public Meeting is scheduled for the following date, time and location:

OPEN HOUSE – Wednesday, February 28, 2018

6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Council Chambers, Town Hall
10 Robert Street West

STATUTORY PUBLIC MEETING – Wednesday, March 14, 2018

7:00 p.m.
Council Chambers, Town Hall
10 Robert Street West
Penetanguishene

ANY PERSON OR AGENCY may attend and make representation at the Public Meeting and/or make written submissions, either in support of, or in opposition to, all or parts of the proposed official plan policies. Written submissions will be accepted up to the date of adoption but are encouraged to be received prior to **March 31, 2018**.

EXPLANATION OF THE PURPOSE AND EFFECT OF THE OFFICIAL PLAN REVIEW AND THE DRAFT OFFICIAL PLAN POLICIES

The Official Plan (OP) Review is an exciting project that explored and updated the policy framework that guides growth and physical change across the Town for the next 20 years. The entire OP has been revised in accordance with the Foundation Study and Policy Directions work developed as part of the project. The draft official plan policies are intended to: have regard to matters of provincial interest, demonstrate consistency with the Provincial Policy Statement (PPS), incorporate good planning principles, take into account the community's vision for the future, and reflect town-specific circumstances.



APPROVAL OF THE OFFICIAL PLAN: Upon adoption of the new Official Plan by Town Council, the Plan will be forwarded to the County of Simcoe for approval. As such, this proposed Official Plan is not subject to appeal until approved by the County.

APPEALS AND NOTICE OF DECISION: If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the Town of Penetanguishene before the proposed official plan is adopted, the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decision of the County of Simcoe (the approval authority) to the Ontario Municipal Board.

If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to Town of Penetanguishene 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 Municipal Board unless, in the opinion of the Board, there are reasonable grounds to add the person or public body as a party.

If you wish to be notified of the adoption by Council on the proposed official plan, you must make a written request to Town of Penetanguishene by contacting the Clerk by email at scooper@penetanguishene.ca or by mail addressed to 10 Robert Street W, Penetanguishene, ON L9M 2G2. Please include your name and mailing address in the correspondence.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION including copies of the draft official plan policies and related background information are available for review online at sailingforward.ca and at the Town of Penetanguishene Planning Department. Should you need assistance, please contact Andrea Betty, Director of Planning, 705-549-7453 or abetty@penetanguishene.ca during regular office hours, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday to Friday.

Information will be collected in accordance with the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*. With the exception of personal information, all comments will become part of the public record.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION regarding the proposed amendment is available to the public for inspection at the Penetanguishene Municipal Office between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday to Friday.

Dated at the Town of Penetanguishene this 22nd day of February, 2018.

Stacey Cooper, Clerk/Deputy CAO (A)
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