

NOTICE OF THE ADOPTION OF AN OFFICIAL PLAN AMENDMENT

for



THE COUNTY OF SIMCOE OFFICIAL PLAN

TAKE NOTICE that the Corporation of the County of Simcoe enacted By-law No. 6977 to adopt Official Plan Amendment No. 7 to the Official Plan for the County of Simcoe on the 9th of August, 2022, pursuant to Sections 17, 21 and 26 of the *Planning Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. P.13, as amended.

Official Plan Amendment No. 7 (MCR Phase 1 Growth Management) applies to all lands within the County of Simcoe and as such, no key map has been provided in this notice.

THE PURPOSE and EFFECT of the amendment is to amend the County of Simcoe Official Plan through the implementation of the Phase 1 Growth Management policies and updates to Schedule 5.1 Land Use Designations for the purpose of completing ongoing work relating to the Municipal Comprehensive Review. The effect of the amendment will be to begin the process of bringing the County Official Plan into full conformity with the provincial Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe in accordance with Section 26 of the Planning Act. This amendment will primarily be to introduce or update policies relating to settlement hierarchies, population and employment growth forecasts, density and intensification targets, identification of Major Transit Station Areas and to establish policy frameworks for managing new growth areas and future settlement area boundary expansions.

PRIOR TO adoption of Official Plan Amendment No. 7, a statutory public meeting was held on June 28, 2022 to receive public input on the proposed official plan amendment in accordance with Section 17(15) of the *Planning Act*, R.S.O. 1990. With the adoption of Recommendation 2022-576 of the Committee of the Whole, Council deems it expedient to adopt Official Plan Amendment No. 7 to the County of Simcoe Official Plan.

PUBLIC INPUT in the form of oral submissions at the Public Meeting and written submissions in advance of and following the Public Meeting, was received by the County. Details regarding how the public input was considered is available in County staff report Item CCW 2022-235. The County is satisfied that all submissions were given full consideration prior to adoption of Official Plan Amendment No. 7. To view Item CCW 2022-235, visit https://www.simcoe.ca/Planning/Documents/CCW%202022-235.pdf A hardcopy of Item CCW 2022-235 will be made available upon request.

THE OFFICIAL PLAN AMENDMENT and background materials are available for viewing on the County of Simcoe website at https://www.simcoe.ca/Planning/Pages/MCR.aspx.

ANY PERSON OR PUBLIC BODY will be entitled to receive a Notice of Decision of the Approval Authority, being the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, if a written request to be notified of the Decision is made to:

Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing Municipal Services Office - Central Region 777 Bay Street, 16th Floor Toronto, ON M7A 2J3

Attn: Maya Harris, Manager, Community Planning & Development

Email: maya.harris@ontario.ca

DATED at Midhurst this 23rd day of August, 2022.

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