



**Notice of Public Open House
and Public Meeting
Draft Official Plan Amendment No. XX**

**Public Open House and Public Meeting:
September 19th at 5:00 p.m.
at 12 Nelson St E, Meaford, ON N4L 1N6**

Why is the Official Plan being amended?

The purpose of this Official Plan Amendment is to complete the Ten-Year Review of the Official Plan for the Municipality of Meaford. In undertaking the Ten-Year Review, additional requirements for updates including conformity to the Provincial Policy Statement (2020) and a municipal comprehensive review was completed. As well, legislative changes in Ontario provided new opportunities and issues for Meaford, all of which have been incorporated into this Amendment.

What are the key components of the Amendment?

1. The Amendment creates a 25-year community plan for growth and community development founded on the community structure in Meaford;
2. The Amendment creates opportunities for new housing through updated policies for housing and the provision of policies supporting intensification, redevelopment, and additional dwelling units;
3. The Amendment confirms the importance of the commercial areas in the Meaford;
4. The Amendment reflects and incorporates feedback related to community growth, protection of agricultural land, supporting tourism including agri-tourism, reinforcing the commitment to downtown Meaford, and supporting all ages-friendly community development;
5. The Amendment updates the forecasted population, employment and household growth for the planning horizon;
6. The Amendment addresses community feedback; and
7. The Amendment achieves the following to assist in administering the Plan:
 - a. Flexibility in Application, Interpretation, and Updating of the Plan
 - b. Enhanced readability and understanding of the Plan

When will the Official Plan and associated materials be available to the public?

The Draft Official Plan Amendment is available online at <https://www.meaford.ca/en/business-development/official-plan-review.aspx> under the pulldown menu titled "Draft Official Plan Amendment No. XX". A "redline" copy of the Official Plan Amendment is also being developed at this time and will be available in the coming days. This redline is being generated as a more reader-friendly document of the proposed amendment to assist persons who are not familiar with the matrix format. The redline document will be posted in the coming days on the website.

What will happen at the Public Open House and Public Meeting?

The Public Meeting is held by Council to receive comments on the Amendment. If a person wishes to make a deputation as part of the Public Meeting they should contact the Municipality's Deputy Clerk at deputyclerk@meaford.ca. Written comments can also be provided in advance of the meeting to the Deputy Clerk.

Questions? Want more information?

For more information about this matter, including information about appeal rights, contact: Robert Voigt, the Director of Development Services at the Municipality of Meaford at 519 538-1060 ext.1145 or rvoigt@meaford.ca.

The Official Plan Review applies all lands within the Municipality of Meaford and therefore a key map is not provided with this Notice.