



MEDIA ADVISORY

Official Plan Review Community Engagement Session #1

Owen Sound, Ontario – February 25, 2020 – The City of Owen Sound is reviewing and updating its Official Plan. The Official Plan is a legal document containing goals, objectives and policies intended to guide land use, development and growth in the City over a 20-year time horizon.

The City is required to update its Official Plan to ensure conformity with applicable Planning legislation, including the Planning Act, Provincial Policy Statement and the County of Grey Official Plan. The Official Plan review process will address changes to Provincial and County policies, while also assessing challenges and opportunities associated with housing choice, environmental sustainability and climate change, transportation, land use and design.

The Official Plan affects everyone in Owen Sound and public involvement is encouraged. The first community engagement event will be held on:

Monday March 2, 2020

4:30 pm – 6:00 pm

Bayshore Community Centre, Christie/Hare Room 1900 3rd Ave E, Owen Sound

The Professional Planning team from MHBC Planning and City staff will guide the community engagement event and answer any questions you may have.

The public is encouraged to complete a short survey to provide initial input on Owen Sound's growth and development vision for the future: <u>https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/OwenSoundOP</u> The survey will close on March 31, 2020.

A copy of Owen Sound's current Official Plan can be viewed at <u>www.owensound.ca</u> or at the Planning and Heritage Division at City Hall (808 2nd Avenue East) between 8:30 AM and 4:30 PM, Monday through Friday.

Questions about the Official Plan Review process can be directed to:

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