

Take notice that the Council of The Corporation of the City of Owen Sound passed and enacted **By-law No. 2026-029** on April 13, 2026, pursuant to Sections 17 and 26 of the *Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. P.13*, as amended and Ontario Regulation 543/06 for the purpose of adopting **Official Plan Amendment No. 14 (Official Plan 2026)** being a comprehensive update to the 2021 Official Plan.

Consultation Summary:

City Council has considered all written submissions received to date and oral submissions made at the Open House held pursuant to Section 17 of the *Planning Act* on July 17, 2025, the public meeting held pursuant to Section 17 of the *Planning Act* on November 24, 2025, and the special meeting held pursuant to Section 26 of the *Planning Act* on November 24, 2025. The effect of the submissions and comments was taken into consideration by City Council in adopting Official Plan Amendment No. 14 (Official Plan 2026), as evaluated in [Staff Report CS-26-023](#).

Purpose and Effect:

The purpose of the Official Plan Amendment is to implement the recommendations resulting from the Official Plan Review program, which was undertaken in 2025. The Amendment implements applicable policy from updates to the *Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. P.13*, Provincial Planning Statement, as well as to the County of Grey Official Plan.

The effect of the Official Plan Amendment is to restructure sections within the Official Plan, revise and update policies associated with land uses, parkland, employment areas, affordable housing, and various housekeeping matters within the Official Plan.

Property Description:

The City-initiated update to the Official Plan (Official Plan Amendment No. 14) is general in nature and is considered City-wide, because it will affect all lands within the municipal boundary of the City of Owen Sound. For this reason, no mapping is provided, and no description of lands is necessary.

Related Files:

Zoning By-law Update (Zoning By-law Amendment No. 57)

County of Grey Approval Information:

And take notice that Official Plan Amendment No. 14 (Official Plan 2026) is subject to approval by The Corporation of the County of Grey. Any person or public body will be entitled to receive notice of the decision of the approval authority if a written request to be notified of the decision (including the person's or public body's address, fax number or email address) is made to the approval authority. The details of Official Plan Amendment No. 14 (Official Plan 2026) are being sent for approval to:

The Corporation of the County of Grey
Planning & Development Department
595 9th Avenue East
Owen Sound, ON N4K 3E3
planning@grey.ca

Additional Information:

More information about this proposed Official Plan Amendment, including the enacting By-law and final Official Plan document, is available for inspection at the City of Owen Sound in the Planning Office located at 808 2nd Avenue East, Owen Sound, ON N4K 2H4, Monday to Friday between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. and on the City's website at OurCity.OwenSound.ca/Planning.

Notice Date: April 16, 2026

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The Corporation of the City of Owen Sound

By-law No. 2026-029

A By-law to adopt Official Plan 2026 for the City of Owen Sound and repeal Official Plan 2021

WHEREAS Section 5(3) of the *Municipal Act, 2001* S.O. 2001, c.25, provides that Council's powers shall be exercised by by-law; and

WHEREAS The Corporation of the City of Owen Sound (the "City") is a local municipality as defined in section 17(14) of the *Planning Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. P.13, as amended (the "Planning Act"), which may prepare and adopt an official plan; and

WHEREAS on June 28, 2021, City Council adopted an official plan by By-law No. 2021-080 ("Official Plan 2021"); and

WHEREAS City Council is desirous of adopting a new official plan ("Official Plan 2026"); and

WHEREAS adequate information and material, including a copy of the Official Plan 2026, have been made available to the public in the prescribed manner; and

WHEREAS City Council has considered written submissions received and oral submissions made at the open house held on July 17, 2025, at the public meeting held on November 24, 2026, and the special meeting of Council held on November 24, 2026, as further described in the minutes of those meetings, and the meetings were held for the purpose of giving the public an opportunity to make representations in respect of the Official Plan 2026; and

WHEREAS City Council finds the Official Plan 2026 to be consistent with the Provincial Planning Statement and to conform with the County of Grey Official Plan, Niagara Escarpment Plan, and other applicable policy and legislation; and

WHEREAS the County of Grey, as the approval authority, was consulted on the preparation of the Official Plan 2026 and given an opportunity to review all supporting information and material and any other prescribed information and material; and

WHEREAS the prescribed public bodies were consulted on the preparation of the Official Plan 2026 and given an opportunity to review all supporting information and material and any other prescribed information and material; and

WHEREAS on March 23, 2026, City Council passed Resolution No. R-260323-010 directing staff to bring forward a by-law to adopt Official Plan 2026, in consideration of staff report CS-26-023;

NOW THEREFORE THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF OWEN SOUND HEREBY ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. The Official Plan 2026 for the City of Owen Sound, consisting of the text, schedules and appendix attached as Schedule 'A' and forming part of this by-law, is adopted.
2. City staff are authorized and directed to make application to the County of Grey, as the approval authority, for approval of the Official Plan 2026.

3. In the event that parts of the Official Plan 2026 come into effect at different times, those parts of the Official Plan 2026 that are in effect shall be conclusively deemed to replace and supersede the Official Plan 2021;
4. The Official Plan 2021, adopted by By-law No. 2021-080, as approved and amended, is hereby repealed effective upon approval and the final coming into force and effect of the Official Plan 2026, at which time all by-laws, policies and resolutions that are inconsistent with the provisions of this by-law are amended or repealed insofar as it is necessary to give effect to the provisions of this by-law.
5. Subject to any required approvals pursuant to sections 17 or 26 of the Planning Act, this by-law shall come into full force and effect on the day it is passed.

FINALLY PASSED AND ENACTED this 13th day of April 2026.

Signed by:

Ian C. Boddy

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Mayor Ian C. Boddy

Signed by:

Briana Bloomfield

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Briana M. Bloomfield, City Clerk