

The Official Plan is being reviewed, and we need your input!



Notice of Open Houses and Public Meeting

The Town is reviewing and updating its Official Plan, a document which considers the Town's unique circumstances and identifies a vision as well as policies to guide land use and development. Two Open Houses have been scheduled to give the public an informal opportunity to review and provide comment on the draft Official Plan.

A copy of the draft Official Plan and other information on the project is available on the Town's website at huntsville.ca/opreview. A key map is not provided as the Official Plan affects the entire Town of Huntsville.

The date, time and location of the two **OPEN HOUSES** are as follows:

Port Sydney Community Hall
607 Muskoka Road 10, Port Sydney, ON
August 9 • 7:00pm to 9:00pm



Huntsville Civic Centre, Partners Hall
37 Main Street East, Huntsville
August 11 • 9:00am – 11:00am



The date, time and location of the **PUBLIC MEETING** is as follows:

Council Chambers, Town Hall
37 Main Street East, Huntsville
August 29 • 6:00 p.m.



AN OFFICIAL PLAN is the municipality's key planning document, intended to guide and control future land use development, and establishes policies for the use and management of land within the Town of Huntsville. The Town's current Official Plan was approved in 2006. The Planning Act requires that municipalities review their Official Plans to ensure it continues to reflect matters of interest to the community.

THE PURPOSE AND EFFECT of the new Official Plan is to update the Town's current Official Plan, to clarify Huntsville's vision for the future and implements the Town's direction to become resilient, by: accommodating growth; protecting the natural environment; building healthy communities; making efficient use of existing and planned infrastructure; maintaining a strong economy; being consistent with provincial policies and legislation; and in conformity with the District of Muskoka Official Plan. The Official Plan Review project has included policy research and analysis, staff reports, background discussion papers, and community feedback on a number of topics.

IF YOU WISH TO BE NOTIFIED of the decision of the Council of the Town of Huntsville on the proposed official plan, you must make a written request to the official at the address listed below.

IF A PERSON or public body would otherwise have an ability to appeal the decision of the Council of the Town of Huntsville on the proposed official plan to the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal but the person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the Town of Huntsville before the proposed official plan is adopted, the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decision.

IF A PERSON or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the Town of Huntsville 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 Local Planning Appeal Tribunal unless, in the opinion of the Tribunal, there are reasonable grounds to add the person or public body as a party.

ANY PERSON OR AGENCY may attend and provide representation at the Public Meeting and/or make written representation prior to the meeting. Written submissions can be submitted to the official listed below.

PLEASE NOTE: All comments and submissions received will become part of the public record. Comments received as part of the public participation process for this proposal will be considered by Committee and Council.

FOR MORE INFORMATION about this matter, including information about appeal rights, or if you require special accommodation for the meetings, please contact Kirstin Maxwell, Town of Huntsville:

37 Main St. E, Huntsville, ON. P1H 1A1

IN PERSON: 8:30a.m.-4:30p.m.

TELEPHONE: (705) 789-1751 (Ext. 2351).

EMAIL: opreview@huntsville.ca

WEBSITE: www.huntsville.ca.

We look forward to seeing you! Can't make it to either of the Open Houses or the Public Meeting? Not a problem, please submit comments via email to opreview@huntsville.ca. You can also follow us on Twitter ([#planhuntsville](https://twitter.com/planhuntsville)) and Facebook (<https://www.facebook.com/townofhuntsville>) to keep updated.