



**VILLAGE OF WESTPORT
NOTICE OF OPEN HOUSE CONCERNING
A PROPOSED NEW OFFICIAL PLAN**

TAKE NOTICE that the Corporation of the Village of Westport will hold an **Open House** with respect to updating its Official Plan under Section 17 of *Planning Act*, R.S.O., 1990, Chapter P.13, at:

**6:00 pm – 8:00 pm
Monday, July 31, 2023
at the Fire Station
31-37 Spring Street, Westport, ON**

An Official Plan provides a long-term planning statement of the Village expressed through policies and maps that provide guidance and direction for future development, land use and infrastructure investment. Among other matters, an updated Official Plan will form the policy basis for the update to the Comprehensive Zoning By-law.

The purpose and effect of the proposed Official Plan update is to ensure that the Plan is consistent with the 2020 Provincial Policy Statement, conforms to the United Counties of Leeds & Grenville Official Plan, and addresses matters of local planning interest.

A copy of the draft Official Plan is available for public inspection at the Village Municipal Office during regular business hours or on the Village's website at: villageofwestport.ca

ANY PERSON may attend the Open House to review the draft Official Plan and maps, as well as to take the opportunity to ask questions and make comments on matters of interest with Official Plan project representatives.

SUBSEQUENT TO THE OPEN HOUSE the draft Official Plan amendment document will be refined and finalized, based upon input from various government agencies, the public and Council. Prior to the adoption of the Official Plan, Council will hold a public meeting at a date to be determined. Please note that after the adoption of the Official Plan by the Council of the Village of Westport, the Plan will be forwarded to the United Counties of Leeds & Grenville, as the Counties is the approval authority for the Official Plan.

IF A PERSON OR PUBLIC BODY would otherwise have an ability to appeal the decision of the United Counties of Leeds & Grenville to the Ontario Lands Tribunal but the person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the Village of Westport 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 Village of Westport 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 Ontario Lands Tribunal unless, in the opinion of the Tribunal, there are reasonable grounds to add the person or public body as a party.

THE SUBJECT LANDS, being the entirety of lands within the corporate limits of the Village of Westport, are not the subject of any applications under the *Planning Act* that relate directly to the Official Plan review. This amendment is of general application to all lands in the Village of Westport, therefore, no key map is provided.

IF YOU WISH TO BE NOTIFIED of the decision of the United Counties of Leeds & Grenville on the proposed Official Plan, you must make a written request to the Village of Westport.

FOR MORE INFORMATION about this matter, including information about appeal rights, contact the Clerk's office at the address below.

DATED THE 29th DAY OF JUNE, 2023.

**Kimberly Westgate
CAO/Clerk**

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