



**VILLAGE OF WESTPORT
NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING CONCERNING
A PROPOSED NEW OFFICIAL PLAN**

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Corporation of the Village of Westport will hold a **Public Meeting** at **5:00 p.m.** on **Wednesday, October 25, 2023** in the Council Chambers at the Village's Municipal Office (30 Bedford Street, Westport) with respect to a proposed new Official Plan under Section 17 of *Planning Act*, R.S.O., 1990, Chapter P.13, as amended;

AND TAKE NOTICE that the purpose of the meeting is to provide an opportunity for Council to receive input from the public and stakeholders in respect of the proposed new Official Plan. The 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. The initial meeting regarding the proposed new Official Plan was held on March 22, 2022 and the Open House was held on July 31, 2023.

The purpose and effect of the proposed Official Plan 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. The Official Plan would replace the current 2006 Official Plan.

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

Please note that after the adoption of the new Official Plan by the Council of the Village of Westport, the Plan will be forwarded to the United Counties of Leeds & Grenville for final approval. The Village will then commence the preparation of an update to the Comprehensive Zoning By-law in order to implement the Plan.

ANY PERSON may attend the Public Meeting to ask questions and/or to make written or verbal representation with respect to the proposed 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 new Official Plan. 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 27th DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2023.

**Kimberly Westgate
CAO/Clerk**

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