THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF DORION



NOTICE OF AN OPEN HOUSE AND PUBLIC MEETINGS TO REVIEW AND COMMENT ON THE DRAFT NEW OFFICIAL PLAN AND THE DRAFT NEW COMPREHENSIVE ZONING BY-LAW

TAKE NOTICE that the Corporation of the Township of Dorion will be holding an OPEN HOUSE and PUBLIC MEETINGS as per the following:

An OPEN HOUSE to review and comment on the Township of Dorion Draft New Official Plan under Section 17 (15-17) and Section 26 of the *Planning Act*.

A PUBLIC MEETING to receive comments on the Draft New Official Plan under Section 17 (17-19) and to ADOPT the Official Plan under Section 17 (22) of the *Planning Act*; and

A PUBLIC MEETING to receive comments on the Draft Comprehensive Zoning By-law under Section 34 of the *Planning Act*.

<u>WHAT</u>: An Official Plan (OP) is a set of policies which direct where and how physical development takes place over the next 25 years and must be updated every 10 years. It applies to all lands in the Township (except Crown Lands) and is intended to reduce land use conflict and negative impacts by separating land uses into designations and providing general policies for development.

The Comprehensive Zoning By-law (CZBL) implements the Official Plan policies on a finer scale using zones where specific uses are permitted and regulating setbacks for accessory buildings, for example. Both the OP and CZBL are considered to be legal documents.

<u>WHERE & WHEN</u>: You are invited to attend an **OPEN HOUSE** scheduled for **November 29, 2021 between 4:30 p.m.** and **7:30 p.m.**, to review and provide comments on the Draft New Official Plan, including the draft schedules (maps). The Draft Comprehensive Zoning By-law will also be available, including maps for your review. The **PUBLIC MEETINGS** are scheduled concurrently for **December 14, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.**, to receive comments on both the Draft Official Plan and Comprehensive Zoning By-law. The OPEN HOUSE and PUBLIC MEETINGS will be held at the Centennial Building, 180 Dorion Loop Road.

If Council is satisfied, the OP will be adopted and sent to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing for approval and the CZBL will be passed (approved) by Council By-law.

Deadline for comments on both documents is **December 6th**, **2021**.

If a person or public body would otherwise have an ability to appeal the decision of Council of the Township of Dorion to the Ontario Land Tribunal but the person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to Council 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 Council of the Township of Dorion 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 Land Tribunal unless, in the opinion of the Tribunal, there are reasonable grounds to add the person or public body as a party.

For more information about this matter, including information about appeal rights, and/or **IF YOU WISH TO BE NOTIFIED** of the decision of Council on the proposed Official Plan and Comprehensive Zoning Bylaw, you must make a written request to Mavis Harris, Clerk-Treasurer, 170 Dorion Loop Road, Dorion, ON POT 1KO – <a href="mailto:mailt

<u>IMPORTANT</u>: A Draft Background Study, Draft Official Plan and Draft Zoning By-law, along with Draft Schedules (maps) are available for inspection at the Municipal Office, on-line at <u>www.doriontownship.ca</u> and will also be at the OPEN HOUSE.

For a SUMMARY of key changes in the OP and CZBL, and latest COVID-19 protocols for attending public gatherings, please go to www.doriontownship.ca.