



YOU'RE INVITED!

...TO COMMENT ON THE NEED FOR A REVIEW & UPDATE OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF MEAFORD OFFICIAL PLAN

What is an Official Plan?

An Official Plan describes the Municipal Council's policies on how land in the community should be used and helps to ensure that future planning and development will meet the needs of the community. An Official Plan deals with issues such as where different land uses such as housing, employment & industrial and commercial should be located; what services such as roads, sewers and parks will be needed to support growth; and, the way in which parts of the community will grow or be protected.

The Planning Act of Ontario requires that our Municipality consider the need to revisit the Official Plan every 5 years. The current Official Plan was approved in 2005 and therefore consideration must be given in 2010. The Act requires that the Municipality hold a public meeting to obtain input regarding the need for a review and update of the Plan.

You can visit <http://www.mah.gov.on.ca/Page1759.aspx> for more information about Official Plans.

How Can You Get Involved?

The Municipality is looking for input to determine if there is a need for a comprehensive review of the Official Plan and if so, what things should be examined or considered as part of that review. It is our intention that this input will be obtained through your written and verbal comments and through a special public council meeting to be held on March 1st, 2010 (as below). **Staff encourage you to contact us if you'd like to comment or if you wish to be added to the mailing list to receive future notices.**

NOTICE OF SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING TO OBTAIN PUBLIC INPUT ON AN OFFICIAL PLAN UPDATE

TAKE NOTICE THAT the Council of the Municipality of Meaford will hold a Special Meeting of Council on Monday March 1st, 2010 at approximately 7:00 pm in the Council Chambers at 157859 7th Line to discuss revisions that may be required to the Municipal Official Plan.

THE PURPOSE of the Special Meeting of Council is to discuss revisions that may be required to the Municipality of Meaford Official Plan following its comprehensive review and to obtain comment from the Public on these matters. Staff have generated a preliminary list of items for consideration. This list along with the existing Official Plan can be viewed on the website at www.meaford.ca – Documents – Planning Documents, or in person at the Municipal Office during usual business hours.

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