

# COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA Thursday, April 11, 2024 at 7:00 pm W & M Edelbrock Centre, 30 Centre Street, Orangeville The meeting will be live streamed on YouTube at the following link: http://www.youtube.com/@DufferinOne

# 1. <u>ROLL CALL</u>

Verbal roll call by the Clerk.

#### 2. <u>APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA</u>

THAT the Agenda and any Addendum distributed for the April 11, 2024 meeting of Council, be approved.

#### 3. DECLARATION OF INTEREST BY MEMBERS

Members of Council are required to state any pecuniary interest in accordance with the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act.

# 4. <u>APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING</u>

THAT the minutes of the Statutory Planning meeting and regular meeting of Council on March 14, 2024, be adopted.

#### 5. PROCLAMATIONS, DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

#### 5.1. Delegation: Dufferin OPP Polar Plunge

A delegation from Detective Constable Jeffery McLean, Dufferin OPP, regarding the Dufferin OPP Polar Plunge for Special Olympics Ontario.

Dufferin OPP to present an award to the 2024 Top Fundraiser, Special Olympian Dylan Brown.

#### 5.2. Proclamation: Sikh Heritage Month – April 2024

# 5.3. <u>Proclamation & Delegation: National Volunteer Week – April 14 – 20,</u> 2024

A delegation from Headwaters Communities In Action regarding National Volunteer Week in Dufferin County.

# 5.4. Proclamation: National Day of Mourning – April 28, 2024

#### 5.5. Proclamation: Health & Safety Month – May 2023

# 6. <u>PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD</u>

Members of the Public in attendance are able to ask a question. If you are unable to attend and would like to submit a question, please contact us at info@dufferincounty.ca or 519-941-2816 ext. 2500 prior to 4:30 pm the day before the meeting.

# 7. PRESENTATION AND CONSIDERATIONS OF REPORTS

# 7.1. Infrastructure & Environmental Services Minutes – March 28, 2024

THAT the minutes of the Infrastructure and Environmental Services meeting held on March 28, 2024, and the recommendations set out, be adopted.

INFRASTRUCTURE & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES – March 28, 2024 – ITEM #1 Dufferin Outdoor Recreation Advisory Team Minutes

THAT the minutes of the March 5, 2024 Dufferin Outdoor Recreation Advisory Team, be adopted.

INFRASTRUCTURE & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES – March 28, 2024 – ITEM #2 County-Owned Land 195620 Amaranth-Grand Valley Townline – Update

THAT the Report, County owned Land 195620 Amaranth-Grand Valley Townline - Update, dated March 28, 2024, from the Director of Public Works/County Engineer, be received.

INFRASTRUCTURE & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES – March 28, 2024 – ITEM #3 Rural Water Quality Program – Updated Funding Agreement

THAT the Report, Rural Water Quality Program – Updated Funding Agreement, dated March 28, 2024, from the Director of Public Works/County Engineer, be received;

AND THAT Council approve the Updated Rural Water Quality Program Funding Agreement in substantially the same form as presented;

AND THAT the Warden and Clerk be authorized to execute the Updated Rural Water Quality Program Funding Agreement once finalized.

INFRASTRUCTURE & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES – March 28, 2024 – ITEM #4 Geotechnical Investigations – Dufferin Road 11

THAT the Report, Geotechnical Investigation – Dufferin Road 11, dated March 28, 2024, from the Director of Public Works/County Engineer, be received;

AND THAT staff be directed to proceed with geotechnical investigations on Dufferin Road 11 at an estimated cost of \$25,000;

AND THAT the work be funded through the Rate Stabilization Reserve.

# 7.2. General Government Services Minutes – March 28, 2024

THAT the minutes of the General Government Services meeting held on March 28, 2024, and the recommendations set out, be adopted.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES – March 28, 2024 – ITEM #1 Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Community Advisory Committee Minutes

THAT the minutes from the March 14, 2024 meeting of the Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Community Advisory Committee, be adopted.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES – March 28, 2024 – ITEM #2 Access Dufferin Minutes

THAT the minutes from the March 20, 2024 meeting of Access Dufferin, be adopted.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES – March 28, 2024 – ITEM #3A 2024 Community Grant Allocation Recommendations

THAT the 2024 Community Grant funds be distributed as follows:

Alzheimer Society of Dufferin County	\$2,000
Bethell Hospice Foundation	\$1,500
Big Brothers, Big Sisters of Dufferin & District	\$4,300
Caledon\Dufferin Victim Services	\$3,000
Caledon Meals on Wheels	\$2,000
Centre Fellowship Church – Centre Café	\$1,500

Children's Foundation Food & Friends	\$5,000
Credit Meadows Elementary School	\$2,000
Dufferin Arts Council	\$3,600
Dufferin County Canadian Black Association	\$2,500
Dufferin County Cultural Resource Circle	\$3,000
Dufferin Film Festival	\$4,000
Dufferin Parent Support Network	\$5,000
East Garafraxa Public School Snack Program	\$2,000
Edify Centre	\$3,000
Everdale Farm	\$3,000
Everdale Farm Fiddlehead Care Farm Inc. Grand Valley & District Horticultural Society Headwaters Health Care Centre – TeleCheck Highlands Youth for Christ Hospice Dufferin North Dufferin Agriculture & Community Taskforce Orangeville & Area Filipino Community Orangeville & District Seniors Centre Orangeville Community Band Orangeville Fiddle & Stepdance Contest Orton Community Association Primrose Elementary School Rotary Club of Orangeville	\$3,000 \$4,850 \$500 \$1,400 \$3,675 \$5,000 \$2,875 \$1,000 \$2,250 \$550 \$2,000 \$1,500 \$1,500
Rotary Club of Shelburne	\$2,300
St. John's Ambulance	\$2,000
Steams Community Hub	\$4,000
The Brave Canoe	\$2,000
Westminster United Church	\$3,000
Youth Activists Inc.	\$4,000

GENERAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES – March 28, 2024 – ITEM #3B 2024 Community Grant Allocation Recommendations

THAT the 1849 Lorne Scots Army Cadets receive a grant of \$1,200 from the 2024 Community Grant funds.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES – March 28, 2024 – ITEM #4 <u>Review of Council Policies – Report #2</u>

THAT the report from the Clerk, dated March 28, 2024, regarding a review of Council Policies, be received;

AND THAT the following attached Policies be approved:

- Council Professional Development Expenses Policy # 1-03-07
- Delegation of Authority Policy #1-02-08.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES – March 28, 2024 – ITEM #5 <u>Memorandum of Understanding with the Salvation Army Emergency Disaster</u> <u>Services</u>

THAT the report from the Manager of Preparedness, 911 & Corporate Projects, dated March 28, 2024, regarding a Memorandum of Understanding with Salvation Army Emergency Disaster Services, be received;

AND THAT the Warden and Clerk be authorized to execute the proposed Memorandum of Understanding on behalf of the County.

# 7.3. Health and Human Services Minutes – March 28, 2024

THAT the minutes of the Health and Human Services meeting held on March 28, 2024, and the recommendations set out, be adopted.

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES – March 28, 2024 – ITEM #1 Reallocation of Funding Notice

THAT the report of the Administrator, dated March 28, 2024, regarding the Reallocation of Funding Notice, be received.

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES – March 28, 2024 – ITEM #2 Funding Notice – Local Priorities Fund

THAT the report of the Administrator, dated March 28, 2024, regarding the Funding Notice – Local Priorities Fund, be received.

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES – March 28, 2024 – ITEM #3 2023 Resident & Family Satisfaction Survey

THAT the report of the Administrator, dated March 28, 2024, with regards to the Dufferin Oaks 2023 Resident and Family Satisfaction Survey, be received.

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES – March 28, 2024 – ITEM #4 Dufferin County Paramedic Service Annual Report

THAT the report of the Chief of Paramedics, dated March 28, 2024, with regards to the Dufferin County Paramedic Services annual report, be received.

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES – March 28, 2024 – ITEM #5 Community Paramedic Support for Long Term Care Funding Letter

THAT the report of the Chief of Paramedics, Community Paramedic Support for Long Term Care (CPLTC) funding letter, dated March 28, 2024, be received.

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES – March 28, 2024 – ITEM #6 County Wide Transit

THAT Committee recommend Council form an ad hoc committee to investigate transit options in the County.

# 7.4. Community Development & Tourism Minutes – March 28, 2024

THAT the minutes of the Community Development and Tourism meeting held on March 28, 2024, and the recommendations set out, be adopted.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT & TOURISM – March 28, 2024 – ITEM #1 Building Services Division 2023 Annual Report

THAT the report of the Chief Building Official, "Building Services Division 2023 Annual Report", dated March 28, 2024, be received.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT & TOURISM – March 28, 2024 – ITEM #2 Update of Tourism Strategy & Action Plan

THAT the report of the Manager of Economic Development, "Update of Tourism Strategy & Action Plan (2021-2026)", dated March 28, 2024, be received.

# 7.5. <u>Manager of Corporate Finance, Treasurer & Procurement Manager's</u> <u>Report – First Quarter Procurement Report</u>

A report from the Manager of Corporate Finance, Treasurer & Procurement Manager, dated April 11, 2024, to provide the quarterly update on all Request for Tenders and Request for Proposals in accordance with By-law 2017-33 Procurement of Goods and Services 2017, Section (4.2.7).

THAT the Third Quarter Procurement Report, from the Manager of Corporate Finance, Treasurer, and the Procurement Manager, dated April 11, 2024, be received.

# 7.6. Manager of Corporate Finance, Treasurer – 2023 Financial Results

A report from the Manager of Corporate Finance, Treasurer, dated April 11, 2024, to provide an overview of 2023 financial results.

THAT the report of the Manager of Corporate Finance, Treasurer, dated April 11, 2024, regarding 2023 Year End Results, be received;

AND THAT the projects listed below totally \$1,137,000 be added to the 2024 capital workplan:

Project	Division	2024 Workplan Adjustment
Vehicles	Building	\$325,000
DR 109 Roadwork	Engineering	\$120,000
Pickup	County Forest	\$60,000
One Tonne Pickup	Operations	\$107,000
Pickup	Facilities	\$60,000
Asphalt Paving	Housing	\$90,000
Security	Paramedics	\$40,000
HVAC	Long Term Care	\$30,000
Interior Upgrades	Long Term Care	\$30,000
Nurse Call System	Long Term Care	\$275,000

# 7.7. <u>Director of Community Services' Report – New Supportive Housing</u> <u>Collaboration</u>

A report from the Director of Community Services, dated April 11, 2024, to provide details on a new Supportive Housing Collaboration between the County of Dufferin and Services and Housing In the Province (SHIP) at 236 First Street, Orangeville.

THAT the report of the Director of Community Services, titled New Supportive Housing Collaboration, dated, April 11, 2024, be received.

# 7.8. <u>Senior Planner's Report – Official Plan Amendment No. 5 – Township of</u> <u>Mulmur</u>

A report from the Senior Planner, dated April 11, 2024, to seek approval for Official Plan Amendment No. 5, as adopted by the Township of Mulmur.

THAT the report of the Senior Planner, titled Official Plan Amendment No. 5 – Township of Mulmur, dated April 11, 2024, be received;

AND THAT Council approve Official Plan Amendment No. 5, as adopted by the Township of Mulmur.

# 7.9. <u>Chief Administrative Officer's Report – Monthly Update from Outside</u> <u>Boards</u>

A report from the Chief Administrative Officer, dated April 11, 2024, to provide Council with an update of activities from outside boards and agencies.

THAT the report of the Chief Administrative Officer, dated April 11, 2024, with respect to Reports from Outside Boards, be received.

# 8. <u>STRATEGIC PLAN UPDATE</u>

There is no strategic plan update.

# 9. <u>CORRESPONDENCE</u>

# 9.1. Town of Shelburne

A resolution from the Town of Shelburne, dated March 25, 2024, regarding the eradication of all forms of racism, especially Islamophobia and Anti-Semitism.

# 10. NOTICE OF MOTIONS

# 11. <u>MOTIONS</u>

The following motion was deferred at the January 11, 2024 Council meeting:

# 11.1. Moved by Councillor Rentsch, seconded by Councillor Soloman

THAT County owned property located at 195620 and 195594 Amaranth-East Luther Townline, Grand Valley be declared as surplus and be disposed of in accordance with Policy #2-06-10 Disposal of County Property Through Sale.

# 12. <u>CLOSED SESSION</u>

# 13. <u>BY-LAWS</u>

- 2024-16 A by-law to ratify the actions of the Warden and the Clerk for executing an agreement between the Corporation of the County of Dufferin and Georgian College of Applied Arts and Technology. (Lease Agreement – Mel Lloyd Centre) Authorization: Council – April 11, 2024
- 2024-17 A by-law to ratify the actions of the Warden and the Clerk for executing an agreement between the Corporation of the County of Dufferin and Ontario Health. (Long Term Care Homes Service Accountability Agreement Extension) Authorization: Council – April 11, 2024
- 2024-18 A by-law to ratify the actions of the Warden and the Clerk for executing an agreement between the Corporation of the County of Dufferin and Ontario Health. (Multi-Sector Service Accountability Agreement Extension) Authorization: Council – April 11, 2024
- 2024-19 A by-law to ratify the actions of the Warden and the Clerk for executing an agreement between the Corporation of the County of Dufferin and His Majesty the King in right of Ontario as represented by the Solicitor General. (Court Security & Prisoner Transport Transfer Payment Agreement) Authorization: Council – April 11, 2024

THAT By-Law 2024-16 through to By-Law 2024-19, inclusive, be read a first, second and third time and enacted.

# 14. OTHER BUSINESS

#### 15. <u>CONFIRMATORY BY-LAW</u>

A by-law to confirm the proceedings of the Council of the Corporation of the County of Dufferin at its meeting held on April 11, 2024.

THAT By-Law 2024-xx be read a first, second and third time and enacted.

#### 16. ADJOURNMENT

THAT the meeting adjourn.



DUFFERIN COUNTY COUNCIL MINUTES – STATUTORY MEETING Thursday, March 14, 2024 at 6:00 pm W & M Edelbrock Centre, 30 Centre Street, Orangeville ON

Council Members Present:	Warden Darren White (Melancthon) Councillor John Creelman (Mono) Councillor Guy Gardhouse (East Garafraxa) Councillor Chris Gerrits (Amaranth) Councillor Shane Hall (Shelburne) Councillor Earl Hawkins (Mulmur) Councillor Janet Horner (Mulmur) Councillor Gail Little (Amaranth) Councillor James McLean (Melancthon) Councillor Wade Mills (Shelburne) Councillor Fred Nix (Mono) Councillor Lisa Post (Orangeville) Councillor Philip Rentsch (Grand Valley) Councillor Steve Soloman (Grand Valley)
Staff Present:	Scott Burns, Acting Chief Administrative Officer, Director of Public Works/County Engineer Michelle Dunne, Clerk Rebecca Whelan, Deputy Clerk Aimee Raves, Manager of Corporate Finance, Treasurer Rohan Thompson, Director of People & Equity Anna McGregor, Director of Community Services Brenda Wagner, Administrator of Dufferin Oaks Silva Yousif, Senior Planner

Warden White called the meeting to order at 6:02 pm.

Warden White announced that the meeting is being live streamed and publicly broadcast.

The recording of this meeting will also be available on our website in the future.

# 1. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT STATEMENT

Warden White shared the Land Acknowledgement Statement.

#### 2. **ROLL CALL**

The Clerk verbally took a roll call of the Councillors in attendance.

# 3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

#### Moved by Councillor Post, seconded by Councillor Nix

THAT the Agenda distributed for the Statutory Public Meeting for the County of Dufferin Municipal Comprehensive Review for March 14, 2024, be approved.

-Carried-

# 4. **DECLARATION OF INTEREST BY MEMBERS**

Members of Council are required to state any pecuniary interest in accordance with the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act.

# 5. **NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING**

A copy of the Notice of Public meeting under Section 26 of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, to receive input regarding the Municipal Comprehensive Review.

Public Notice was given by the following means:

- Dufferin County's website
- Join In Dufferin Community Engagement platform
- Ads were placed in the following newspapers on the following dates:
  - Creemore Echo on January 26, 2024
    - o Dundalk Herald on January 24, 2024
    - Orangeville Citizen on January 24, 2024
    - o Shelburne Free Press on January 24, 2024
    - Wellington Advertiser on January 25, 2024

# PRESENTATION AND CONSIDERATIONS OF REPORTS

# 6. WSP – Municipal Comprehensive Review (MCR)

Matt Alexander, Practice Lead, WSP, advised the purpose of the public meeting is to review the draft Official Plan Amendment being considered as a result of the MCR untaken under Section 26 of the Planning Act.

The purpose and effect of the Official Plan Amendment is to update the policies of the Official Plan to address general policy matters which have been received over the course of the Municipal Comprehensive Review, to respond to the changing needs of residents and businesses in the County, and to simplify and clarify the policies of the Official Plan. County staff and local municipalities provided feedback on policies where they encountered challenges with implementation or found unclear wording.

The County of Dufferin's Official Plan was adopted in 2015. The Planning Act requires Official Plans be reviewed and updated within ten years of adoption; however, the release of an updated Growth Plan in 2017 included a requirement for upper-tier municipalities to update their Official Plans for conformity by July 2, 2022. The County undertook a comprehensive review beginning in 2019. Through two pervious Official Plan Amendments which have already been adopted, conformity was achieved. Those two amendments are awaiting a decision from the Province at this time. Over the course of preparing the previous amendments a number of general policy updates were recommended by County staff, local municipalities, members of the general public, landowners, and business owners. These include updates related to housing, climate change, implementation and interpretation of the Official Plan, among others.

There have been multiple public open houses and public meetings related to the Dufferin County Municipal Comprehensive Review since 2019. Residents and stakeholders have submitted dozens of comments, some of which have been addressed through the two previous amendments, and some of which are addressed in this proposed amendment. For the current Official Plan Amendment, a Section 26 Special Meeting of Council was held, as well as a Statutory Public Open House on February 14, 2024. Feedback from staff in various County departments which has resulted in amendments related to climate change, implementation policies, definitions, transportation and other subject matter.

Mr. Alexander noted there has been some changes since the Open House and provided an overview of the key details of the amendment.

Updates to terminology include:

- references to the "Provincial Policy Statement, 2014" are updated to "Provincial Policy Statement, 2020" (PPS, 2020)
- "Secondary Dwelling Units" are updated to "Additional Residential Units" as the Planning Act has changed to discuss up to two additional residential units within a dwelling
- "Special needs housing" replaced with "supportive housing"

New goals and objectives have been added in relation to plan for the impacts, mitigation, and reducing the effects of climate change. A new policy was added stating the County and/or local municipalities may enact Green Development Standards, which will encourage developers to design sustainable buildings that are more efficient with less greenhouse gas emissions. The policy changes include:

- Section 1.1.4 Purpose of The Plan
  - 9) Integrate climate change considerations in planning and managing growth to effectively mitigate greenhouse gas emissions and strengthen the County's resilience in adapting to the evolving climate.
- Section 3.9.1 Community Design
  - f) The County or local municipalities may establish Green Development Standards, which establishes guidelines for development related to sustainability goals including, but not limited to, energy efficiency, renewable energy systems, water, wastewater and stormwater management, indoor air quality, environmentally preferable building materials, tree plantings, water efficient and drought resistant landscaping, green roofs, and waste diversion during construction.

Polices were updated in relation to expansions and adjustments of settlement areas to clarify process and requirements consistent with the PPS, 2020. PPS, 2020 includes policies that allow for expansions to settlement areas ahead of a Municipal Comprehensive Review. It also allows for adjustments where land would be added to a settlement area if other lands are removed. To clarify this process, the following amendments were made:

- Section 3.5.1.2 Settlement Area Adjustments
  - Municipalities may adjust settlement area boundaries outside of a municipal comprehensive review, provided:
    - a) There would be no net increase in land within the settlement area;
    - b) The adjustment would support the municipality's ability to meet the intensification and density targets established pursuant to this Plan;
    - c) The location of any lands added to a settlement area will satisfy the applicable requirements;
    - d) The location of any lands added to a settlement area will satisfy the applicable requirements;
    - e) The affected settlement areas are not rural settlements or in the Greenbelt Area; and

- f) The settlement area to which lands would be added is serviced by municipal water and wastewater systems and there is sufficient reserve infrastructure capacity to service the lands;
- g) Privately-initiated Settlement Area adjustment requests must identify the lands proposed to be added, as well as the lands proposed to be removed from the settlement area.

Updates were also made to the housing policies, including:

- Section 3.3.3 Community Settlement Areas & Section 3.4.2 Intensification
  - replacing references to "character" with references to the height, density or massing of development since the word "character" was changed as it can mean different things to different people
- Section 9.7.4 Additional Residential Units & Garden Suites
  - new polices were added to allow up to multiple units on a given property, subject to servicing requirements and other standards. This was added due to recent amendments to the Planning Act.
- Section 9.9.1 Community Design
  - updates added to strengthen "complete communities" policies to provide for a mix of compatible land uses within close proximity to each other

A number of changes were made following comments received at the September 28, 2023 Planning Committee meeting including:

- A policy to establish a telecommunications protocol and to streamline applications and review for new telecommunications infrastructure.
  - 7.6 (q) The County will establish a telecommunications tower protocol to help streamline the review of applications for new infrastructure.
- Providing additional direction for local municipalities to report on progress of intensification and density targets on an annual basis. The purpose of this is help local municipalities to keep track of type and amount of growth happening.
  - 8.3.2 Growth Plan Monitoring Local municipalities will report on their progress towards intensification and density targets annually. The County, in co-operation with the local municipalities, will develop common measuring and reporting tools to monitor and report on progress towards achieving the targets established by this Plan and A Place to Grow: Growth plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe

County staff and WSP have been waiting for comments from the Province before bringing this Official Plan Amendment before Council for adoption. Verbal comments have been received from the Ministry and their feedback has been addressed through mostly minor changes to the Amendments. The Ministry requested stronger language related to clarify the Natural Heritage System policies, minor correction to Woodland evaluation criteria policy, update references to the role of the Conservation Authority due to recent legislative changes and greater emphasis on transit and active transportation options.

A Public Open House was held on February 14, 2024, to answer questions from members of the Public. Written comments received since the Public Open House were regarding Natural Heritage System mapping and policies. The mapping and policies were adopted during the previous Official Plan Amendment No. 3, which is currently under review by the Ministry. Further related comments or change requests to the Natural Heritage System mapping or policies need to be directed to the Ministry. Should Council like to make any changes to the policies or mapping, a submission could be made the Ministry as a requested modification when they make their decision or bring forward an amendment once it is in effect.

Council may choose to adopt the Official Plan Amendment as presented, consider amendments before adoption or refer the amendment back to staff for further revisions. Following Council adoption, staff will prepare a submission package for submission to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing (MMAH) for review. MMAH will review the amendment for consistency with the Provincial Policy Statement and conformity with the Growth Plan. The Minister may approve, modify or refuse to approve the adopted amendment. The Minister's decision is final.

# 7. COMMENTS/QUESTIONS

Written comments that were received were circulated with the regular Council agenda. Comments from Gladki Planning Associates were circulated on desk.

Councillor Nix inquired if the County Official Plan or the local municipal Official Plan would take precedence when reviewing an application. When considering a planning application, the decision authority is required to make a decision that is in conformity with both Plans, which can be difficult. If the County Official Plan contradicts a local Official Plan, it is the role of the planner to make the interpretation. The County's Official Plan is intended to provide direction to local Plan, the local Plan then provides direction to the zoning by-law. If there is a planning application that conforms with the County Official Plan but not the local, it might be necessary to amend the local official plan to update the property's zoning by-law before approving the application. The County Official Plan takes precedence. Councillor Nix noted some ambiguity in the wording of the Employment Lands for the Town of Mono. He asked if an application is received before provincial approval of the Official Plan Amendment if is there grandfathering process. Mr. Alexander noted if an application has been submitted and deemed complete before the policies come into effect, the decision should be based on the policies that were in effect when the application was deemed complete. He also noted the current Official Plan does not designate Employment Lands, but it does include policies which provide criteria for when a local municipality is considering an amendment to their employment land designation. If a local municipality wants to change land from employment land to residential, it needs to meet the policies of the County Official Plan related to an employment land conversion. At the local level, there is a need to review the application in the context of the employment land conversion policies even before the amended Official Plan comes into effect. If an application is currently before a local municipality, the County would be a commenting agency.

Councillor Gerrits noted the local Official Plan can be more restrictive than the County Official Plan but cannot be less restrictive. Mr. Alexander confirmed that could be the case if the local Official Plan goes beyond the minimum standards of the County Plan. As with any application, if it doesn't conform with the local Official Plan, the applicant can apply for an amendment and provide a site spec exception or change a designation.

Councillor Nix inquired if the Province provided any feedback on the Prime Agricultural Land mapping. Silva Yousif, Senior Planner, confirmed the Province was mainly concerned regarding further explanation and support for areas in Mono, East Garafraxa, Grand Valley and Mulmur have asked for either expansions into prime agricultural land or changing prime agricultural lands into employment lands.

Warden White confirmed the Province did not respond within the allotted 120 days but they did advise early on in the process they would not be able to meet that deadline.

Councillor Gerrits asked for clarification between a green development standard and an urban design guideline. Mr. Alexander advised they are similar in nature but green development standards have a focus on sustainability, energy efficiency and greenhouse gas emissions and provide recommendations related to storm water retention or passive heating. Green development standards are sustainability focused. Urban design guidelines are focused on aesthetic, the look and feel, or the appearance of buildings. Both are implemented similarly though site plan agreements, subdivision reviews and other planning application review processes. It is possible to have an urban design guideline that has a focus or a section on green development standards.

Councillor Gerrits also expressed concerns regarding Policy 3.5.1.2 Settlement Area Adjustments, point (f) regarding water and wastewater systems. He noted there are a number of settlements that are partially serviced by a municipality and it doesn't allow any flexibility for privately owned communal systems. He believes this point may be overly restrictive. Mr. Alexander advised the primary focus for growth in Dufferin County is intended to be in areas that have municipal water and wastewater, in the areas that have the services to accommodate growth. Councillor Gerrits would like it changed to municipal/communal systems to allow for more flexibility.

Councillor Gerrits asked whether the province has mandated a requirement for no net increase in settlement area. Matt Alexander advised the definition of an adjustment states there is no net increase, and it can happen outside of a Municipal Comprehensive Review. There is still an opportunity through the Provincial Policy Statement for an expansion, but only at the time of a Municipal Comprehensive Review.

Councillor Gardhouse has concerns regarding mapping inconsistencies in regulated areas where properties have had the regulated amount of area increased drastically. In agricultural operations, this can present challenges to renovating existing buildings or building new buildings due to being environmentally regulated and the occupant would have to proceed through a zoning change application causing a time and financial burden. WSP noted the mapping was already adopted by Council through OPA No 3. The policies don't prevent farming from occurring on lands that are designated as a Natural Heritage Feature. When a new policy comes in, there's a requirement for the local zoning by-law to be updated within 3 years. The local zoning can recognize existing agricultural use properties rather than zoning them as environmental protection, they can be zoned as agricultural use, or they can be zoned in a hybrid manner that explicitly allows agricultural uses. Once zoned that way, if it's a permitted use, and what they would like to build is within permissions of the zoning by-law, they would not need to go through an Official Plan Amendment. The Natural Heritage mapping and the County Official Plan are intended to act as a trigger so that when or if a non-agricultural use is proposed, for example through a severance application or an agricultural related industry/business, to make sure the Natural Heritage Features aren't negatively affected. Concerned property owners can review with the County Official Planner and local planner. Residents planning on building something new, are encouraged to do a preconsultation with the local municipality so that any issues or protected features can be identified before an application is submitted.

Councillor Gerrits noted there is a new section regarding the need for a traffic impact study for any proposed development or site alteration if it is in proximity to a County Road. He noted the word proximity can be ambiguous. The Director of Public Works/County Engineer noted it needs to stay as proximity. He noted it won't be required in all instances; it will depend on the amount of impact.

Silva Yousif confirmed there will be a report forthcoming regarding written comments received from the Ministry of Transportation regarding transport truck traffic on Highway 10 and Highway 89.

Derek Williams, East Garafraxa resident, noted he submitted a letter on February 13, 2024, to Council regarding the Natural Heritage Systems mapping. After reviewing the Official Plans for Dufferin County and East Garafraxa, he has noticed his property is now partially environmentally protected and prime agricultural, while the zoning map shows all his land as environmentally protected. He is concerned that the natural heritage feature will make his agricultural fields environmentally protected. He is requesting the zoning designation be restored to what it was when he purchased his property in 2002. Matt Alexander noted that mapping was adopted in a previous amendment, which is currently under review by the province. Council cannot make changes what is already adopted and submitted but could do an informal process of requesting a modification through the Minister. The mapping presented in the previous amendment is identifying specific features and linkages to show areas of wildlife travel. The intent of the Natural Heritage System mapping is not to prevent agricultural uses from occurring in linkage areas, but to act as a trigger if a non-agricultural use was proposed. This is in place to prevent fragmentation of prime agricultural land and loss of natural features. WSP suggested Mr. Williams meet with the County Planner to review what is specifically permitted on his property. Mr. Williams noted he is concerned that where his dwelling is located is now environmentally protected and in a natural heritage linkage that he won't be able to put an addition on his house. Matt Alexander suggested consulting with the Senior Planner and the local municipal planner prior to finalizing plans. Mr. Williams agrees with the Natural Heritage linkages linking the woodlot areas of his property but is concerned that with his dwelling and fields are in this area he won't be able to expand his garage or house towards a Natural Heritage Feature. The Senior Planner noted any proposed expansions needs to go through a preconsultation process. She noted the Municipal Comprehensive Review process did not change any zoning in the County. Mr. Williams noted he believes the zoning may have been changed by the Township in the time period between

when he purchased the property and today. He is concerned once the Natural Heritage System is approved, that the zoned environmentally protected land will diminish in value or not usable for agricultural purposes. Mr. Williams will consult with the local Council to clarify the zoning.

Charles Hooker, East Garafraxa resident, is concerned with Policy Section 5 noting restrictions on rural land usage and a section regarding woodlots. WSP noted the policy essentially states that any legal existing uses of the land are allowed to continue. Mr. Alexander noted the wording states all normal farm practices can continue. If a non-agricultural use is proposed, the owner would need to proceed through the planning application process. The woodland policy notes that development and site alteration are not permitted unless there is no negative impact, so this would specifically apply to planning application for instances like severance, or zoning amendment application. The purpose is to ensure healthy woodlands are not needlessly destroyed.

Pat Dunwoody, East Garafraxa, commented that she only recently discovered the Municipal Comprehensive Review is taking place. She is requesting better notification and communication from the Township of East Garafraxa and the County of Dufferin. Warden White thanked her for the comments and Council has committed to better community engagement and public outreach as part of the Strategic Plan.

# 8. ADJOURNMENT

# Moved by Councillor Mills, seconded by Councillor McLean

# THAT the meeting adjourn.

-Carried-

Warden White called a recess at 7:18 pm.

Darren White, Warden

Michelle Dunne, Clerk



# DUFFERIN COUNTY COUNCIL MINUTES Thursday, March 14, 2024 at 7:00 pm W & M Edelbrock Centre, 30 Centre Street, Orangeville ON

Council Members Present:	Warden Darren White (Melancthon) Councillor John Creelman (Mono) Councillor Guy Gardhouse (East Garafraxa) Councillor Chris Gerrits (Amaranth) Councillor Shane Hall (Shelburne) Councillor Earl Hawkins (Mulmur) Councillor Janet Horner (Mulmur)
	Councillor Gail Little (Amaranth)
	Councillor James McLean (Melancthon)
	Councillor Wade Mills (Shelburne)
	Councillor Fred Nix (Mono)
	Councillor Lisa Post (Orangeville)
	Councillor Philip Rentsch (Grand Valley)
	Councillor Steve Soloman (Grand Valley)
	Councillor Todd Taylor (Orangeville)
Staff Present:	Scott Burns, Acting Chief Administrative Officer, Director of
	Public Works/County Engineer
	Michelle Dunne, Clerk
	Rebecca Whelan, Deputy Clerk
	Aimee Raves, Manager of Corporate Finance, Treasurer
	Anna McGregor, Director of Community Services
	Rohan Thompson, Director of People & Equity
	Brenda Wagner, Administrator of Dufferin Oaks
	Tom Reid, Chief Paramedic

Warden White called the meeting to order at 7:27 pm.

Warden White announced that the meeting is being live streamed and publicly broadcast.

The recording of this meeting will also be available on our website in the future.

Upcoming committee meetings will be held in the Dufferin Room at 30 Centre St, Orangeville on Thursday, March 28, 2024 at the following times: Infrastructure and Environmental Services – 9:00 am General Government Services Committee – 11:00 am Health & Human Services Committee – 1:00 pm Community Development & Tourism Committee – 3:00 pm

# 1. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Council agreed to move Item #7.4 Senior Planner's Report – Official Plan Amendment No. 4 to the beginning of the Reports section in the agenda.

# Moved by Councillor Mills, seconded by Councillor Creelman

THAT the Agenda and any Addendum distributed for the March 14, 2024 meeting of Council, be approved.

-Carried-

# 2. DECLARATION OF INTEREST BY MEMBERS

Members of Council are required to state any pecuniary interest in accordance with the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act.

# 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Councillor Taylor noted that the recorded votes for General Government Services Item #5 – Non-Union Total Compensation Review shows he is absent. He requested the recorded votes be amended to show he had declared a pecuniary interest.

# Moved by Councillor Nix, seconded by Councillor Little

THAT the minutes of the Council meeting of February 8, 2024, be adopted, as amended.

-Carried-

# PROCLAMATIONS, DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

# 4. **Proclamation & Delegation: Amyloidosis Awareness Month – March 2024**

Warden White proclaimed the month of March 2024 as Amyloidosis Awareness Month in the County of Dufferin. Keith Dares, Canadian Amyloidosis Awareness Network, delegated regarding Amyloidosis, how it affects those with the disease and awareness initiatives.

#### 5. **PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD**

There were no questions from the public.

#### PRESENTATION AND CONSIDERATIONS OF REPORTS

#### 6. Senior Planner's Report – Official Plan Amendment No. 4

A report from the Senior Planner, dated March 14, 2024, to outline Official Plan Amendment No. 4.

#### Moved by Councillor Gerrits, seconded by Councillor Taylor

THAT the Dufferin County Official Plan Amendment No. 04 (Municipal Comprehensive Review, Phase III Land Use Policy Framework), dated March 14, 2024, be received;

AND THAT the necessary by-law be presented to County Council to adopt the proposed County of Dufferin Official Plan Amendment No. 04 (Municipal Comprehensive Review, Phase III Land Use Policy Framework);

AND THAT Notice of Adoption of County of Dufferin Official Plan Amendment No. 04 (Municipal Comprehensive Review, Phase III Land Use Policy Framework), be provided in accordance with the Planning Act;

AND THAT the Official Plan Amendment record of adoption be forwarded to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing for approval.

#### IN AMENDMENT

Moved by Councillor Gerrits, seconded by Councillor Taylor

THAT the wording in Policy 3.5.1.2 (f) Settlement Area Adjustments be amended to include communal systems.

-Carried-

#### MAIN MOTION AS AMENDED

THAT the Dufferin County Official Plan Amendment No. 04 (Municipal Comprehensive Review, Phase III Land Use Policy Framework), dated March 14, 2024, be received;

AND THAT the necessary by-law be presented to County Council to adopt the proposed County of Dufferin Official Plan Amendment No. 04 (Municipal Comprehensive Review, Phase III Land Use Policy Framework), as amended;

AND THAT Notice of Adoption of County of Dufferin Official Plan Amendment No. 04 (Municipal Comprehensive Review, Phase III Land Use Policy Framework), be provided in accordance with the Planning Act;

AND THAT the Official Plan Amendment record of adoption be forwarded to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing for approval.

	Yay	Nay
Councillor Creelman (3)	X	
Councillor Gardhouse (2)	Х	
Councillor Gerrits (1)	Х	
Councillor Hall (2)	Х	
Councillor Hawkins (1)	Х	
Councillor Horner (1)	Х	
Councillor Little (1)	Х	
Councillor McLean (1)	Х	
Councillor Mills (2)	Х	
Councillor Nix (2)	Х	
Councillor Post (8)	Х	
Councillor Rentsch (1)		х
Councillor Soloman (1)	Х	
Councillor Taylor (7)	Х	
Warden White (1)	Х	
Total (34)	33	1
	-MAIN MOTION CARRIED-	

A recorded vote was requested and taken as follows:

#### 7. General Government Services Minutes – February 22, 2024

#### Moved by Councillor Post, seconded by Councillor Mills

# THAT the minutes of the General Government Services meeting held on February 22, 2024, be adopted.

-Carried-

8. GENERAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES – February 22, 2024 – ITEM #1 <u>Emergency Management Workshop – Wildfires</u>

THAT the report of the Manager of Preparedness, 911 and Corporate Projects, titled 2024 Emergency Management Workshop – Wildfires, dated February 22, 2024, be received.

9. GENERAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES – February 22, 2024 – ITEM #2 2023 Investment Activity

THAT the report on 2023 Investment Activity, from the Manager of Corporate Finance, Treasurer, dated February 22, 2024, be received.

10. GENERAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES – February 22, 2024 – ITEM #3 2023 Council Remuneration

THAT the report on 2023 Statement of Council Remuneration and Expenses Paid, from the Manager of Corporate Finance, Treasurer, dated February 22, 2024, be received as amended.

# 11. Health & Human Services Minutes – February 22, 2024

Moved by Councillor Taylor, seconded by Councillor Nix

# THAT the minutes of the Community Development and Tourism meeting held on February 22, 2024, be adopted.

-Carried-

12. HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES – February 22, 2024 – ITEM #1 Dufferin Oaks Declaration of Compliance

THAT the report of the Administrator of Dufferin Oaks, dated February 22, 2024, regarding the Declaration of Compliance, be received;

AND THAT Council authorizes the Warden to sign the Declaration on behalf of Council for submission to Ontario Health – Central Region.

13. HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES – February 22, 2024 – ITEM #2 <u>Funding Increase for Community Support Services</u>

THAT the report of the Administrator, dated February 22, 2024, regarding the funding increase to Community Support Services, be received.

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES – February 22, 2024 – ITEM #3
 <u>Quarterly Community Services Activity Report – Third & Fourth Quarter 2023</u>

THAT the report of the Director, Community Services, titled Quarterly Community Services Activity Report – Third and Fourth Quarter, 2023, dated February 22, 2024, be received.

15. HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES – February 22, 2024 – ITEM #4 Access and Inclusion Framework and Start Up Grants

THAT the report of the Director, Community Services, titled Access and Inclusion Framework and Start-Up Grants dated February 22, 2024, be received.

16. HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES – February 22, 2024 – ITEM #5 Dufferin Men's Shelter Update #3

THAT the report of the Director of Community Services, titled Dufferin Men's Shelter Update 3, dated February 22, 2024, be received.

# 17. Administrator of Dufferin Oaks' Report – Additional Staff Request for Dufferin Oaks

A report from the Administrator of Dufferin Oaks, dated March 14, 2024, to seek a Social Worker as a permanent full-time employee for Dufferin Oaks.

# Moved by Councillor Gerrits, seconded by Councillor Gardhouse

THAT the report of the Administrator of Dufferin Oaks, dated March 14, 2024, regarding the Additional Staff Request for Dufferin Oaks be received;

AND THAT a Social Worker position be approved as permanent full time;

AND THAT the additional cost for this position in 2024 be funded through the Rate Stabilization Reserve.

-Carried-

# 18. Chief Administrative Officer's Report – Monthly Update from Outside Boards

A report from the Chief Administrative Officer, dated March 14, 2024, to provide Council with an update of activities from outside boards and agencies.

#### Moved by Councillor Little, seconded by Councillor McLean

THAT the report of the Chief Administrative Officer, dated March 14, 2024, with respect to Reports from Outside Boards, be received.

-Carried-

#### 19. STRATEGIC PLAN UPDATE

A report from the Chief Administrative Officer, dated March 14, 2024, to provide an update regarding the County's Strategic Plan implementation.

#### Moved by Councillor Gerrits, seconded by Councillor Mills

THAT the report of the Chief Administrative Officer, dated March 14, 2024, with respect to Strategic Plan Monthly Update #5, be received.

-Carried-

#### **CORRESPONDENCE**

#### 20. Environmental Defence

Correspondence from Environmental Defence, dated February 12, 2024, requesting support regarding a recent Ontario Energy Board (OEB) decision.

#### Moved by Councillor Taylor, seconded by Councillor Nix

THAT the correspondence from Environmental Defence, dated February 12, 2024, requesting support regarding a recent Ontario Energy Board (OEB) decision, be received.

-Carried-

#### 21. BDO Canada LLP

Correspondence from BDO Canada LLP, dated February 22, 2024, to outline the audit planning process.

#### Moved by Councillor Creelman, seconded by Councillor Mills

THAT the correspondence from BDO Canada LLP, dated February 22, 2024, regarding audit planning, be received.

-Carried-

#### 22. NOTICE OF MOTIONS

#### **MOTIONS**

#### 23. Moved by Councillor Post, seconded by Councillor Mills

WHEREAS Dufferin County Council has identified our desire to create a community where everyone can live and thrive; and

WHEREAS the County of Dufferin as the upper tier government is the local service provider for Homelessness Prevention programs; and

WHEREAS the volatile economic situation has caused an influx in unhoused people in Dufferin County; and

WHEREAS creative solutions and advocacy are required to address the growing issue of homelessness in our community; and

WHEREAS a collaborative and comprehensive approach involving both community members and Council representatives working alongside County staff can contribute significantly to the development and implementation of effective solutions;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Dufferin County Council directs staff to establish a Homelessness Task Force and begin recruitment efforts with a proposed start date of Fall 2024 with terms of reference (to be approved by Council) that address the following objectives:

- 1. To assess the current state of homelessness in Dufferin County, including the factors contributing to the issue
- 2. To identify and evaluate existing Homelessness Prevention programs and services to determine effectiveness and gaps
- 3. To explore and develop innovative and sustainable solutions to address homelessness across the County
- 4. To engage with various stakeholders, including lower tier municipalities, community members, and local organizations currently providing services to ensure diverse perspectives are considered in the discussions

5. To provide recommendations to Dufferin County Council for the implementation of effective strategies to prevent and alleviate homelessness

FURTHERMORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Homelessness Task Force shall consist of a balanced representation, including members from the community with expertise in social services, housing, mental health and addictions, and other relevant areas (i.e. Dufferin Men's Shelter, Family Transition Place, Choices Youth Shelter, The Lighthouse, etc.).

-Carried-

#### 24. CLOSED SESSION

#### 25. **<u>BY-LAWS</u>**

- A by-law to provide property tax rebates to eligible charities for the years 2023 and 2024.
   Authorization: Council March 14, 2024
- 2024-11 A by-law to ratify the actions of the Warden and the Clerk for executing an agreement between the Corporation of the County of Dufferin and Family Transition Place. (Lease Agreement – Mel Lloyd Centre)

Authorization: Council – March 14, 2024

- 2024-12 A by-law to appoint Mark McConnell as a Building Inspector under the Building Code Act. Authorization: Council – March 14, 2024
- 2024-13 A by-law to appoint an acting Chief Building Official. (Doug Kopp, Kristina Millar, Aaron Ryckman, Michael Sutton) Authorization: Council – March 14, 2024
- 2024-14 A by-law to adopt Amendment No. 4 to the Official Plan for the County of Dufferin. Authorization: Council – March 14, 2024

#### Moved by Councillor Soloman, seconded by Councillor Taylor

# THAT By-Law 2024-10 through to By-Law 2024-14, inclusive, be read a first, second and third time and enacted.

-Carried-

#### 26. OTHER BUSINESS

#### 27. CONFIRMATORY BY-LAW

2024-15 A by-law to confirm the proceedings of the Council of the Corporation of the County of Dufferin at its meeting held on March 14, 2024.

#### Moved by Councillor Horner, seconded by Councillor Gerrits

THAT By-Law 2024-15 be read a first, second and third time and enacted. -Carried-

#### 28. **ADJOURNMENT**

#### Moved by Councillor Gardhouse, seconded by Councillor Post

#### THAT the meeting adjourn.

-Carried-

The meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm.

Next meeting: Thursday, April 11, 2024 Edelbrock Centre, 30 Centre Street, Orangeville ON

Darren White, Warden

Michelle Dunne, Clerk



# INFRASTRUCTURE & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES COMMITTEE MINUTES Thursday, March 28, 2024 at 9:00 am

The Committee met at 9:00 am at the W & M Edelbrock Centre, Dufferin Room, 30 Centre Street, Orangeville.

Members Present:	Councillor Chris Gerrits (Acting Chair) Councillor Earl Hawkins Councillor Janet Horner Councillor Fred Nix Councillor Philip Rentsch Councillor Steve Soloman Warden Darren White
<b>Other Members Present:</b>	Councillor Guy Gardhouse
Council Members Absent:	Councillor Todd Taylor (Chair)(prior notice) Councillor Shane Hall
Staff Present:	Sonya Pritchard, Chief Administrative Officer Michelle Dunne, Clerk Scott Burns, Director of Public Works/County Engineer Caroline Mach, County Forest Manager Kevin Predon, County Forest Manager Michelle Hargrave, Administrative Support Specialist

Acting Chair, Councillor Gerrits, called the meeting to order at 9:00 am.

# LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT STATEMENT

Acting Chair, Councillor Gerrits, shared the Land Acknowledgement Statement.

# ROLL CALL

The Clerk verbally took a roll call of Councillors in attendance.

# **DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest.

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# **PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD**

There were no questions from the public.

# **REPORTS**

1. INFRASTRUCTURE & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES – March 28, 2024 – ITEM #1 Dufferin Outdoor Recreation Advisory Team Minutes

Minutes from the March 5, 2024 meeting of the Dufferin Outdoor Recreation Advisory Team.

# Moved by Councillor Horner, seconded by Councillor Nix

# THAT the minutes of the March 5, 2024 Dufferin Outdoor Recreation Advisory Team, be adopted.

-Carried-

2. INFRASTRUCTURE & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES – March 28, 2024 – ITEM #2 County-Owned Land 195620 Amaranth-Grand Valley Townline – Update

A report from the Director of Public Works/County Engineer, dated March 28, 2024, to seek direction regarding the County-owned property at 195620 Amaranth-Grand Valley Townline.

# Moved by Councillor Nix, seconded by Councillor Hawkins

THAT the Report, County owned Land 195620 Amaranth-Grand Valley Townline - Update, dated March 28, 2024, from the Director of Public Works/County Engineer, be received.

-Carried-

3. INFRASTRUCTURE & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES – March 28, 2024 – ITEM #3 <u>Rural Water Quality Program – Updated Funding Agreement</u>

A report from the Director of Public Works/County Engineer, dated March 28, 2024, to seek authorization to sign the updated Rural Water Quality Funding Agreement.

# Moved by Councillor Horner, seconded by Councillor Hawkins

THAT the Report, Rural Water Quality Program – Updated Funding Agreement, dated March 28, 2024, from the Director of Public Works/County Engineer, be received;

AND THAT Council approve the Updated Rural Water Quality Program Funding Agreement in substantially the same form as presented;

# AND THAT the Warden and Clerk be authorized to execute the Updated Rural Water Quality Program Funding Agreement once finalized.

#### -Carried-

4. INFRASTRUCTURE & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES – March 28, 2024 – ITEM #4 <u>Geotechnical Investigations – Dufferin Road 11</u>

A report from the Director of Public Works/County Engineer, dated March 28, 2024, to request a geotechnical investigation for a portion of Dufferin Road 11.

# Moved by Warden White, seconded by Councillor Nix

THAT the Report, Geotechnical Investigation – Dufferin Road 11, dated March 28, 2024, from the Director of Public Works/County Engineer, be received;

AND THAT staff be directed to proceed with geotechnical investigations on Dufferin Road 11 at an estimated cost of \$25,000;

AND THAT the work be funded through the Rate Stabilization Reserve.

-Carried-

# CORRESPONDENCE

5. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT & TOURISM – March 28, 2024 – ITEM #5 Township of Amaranth Resolution

A resolution from the Township of Amaranth, dated February 23, 2024, to request the Province pause the proposed Highway 413 and redirect the funds to support municipal infrastructure costs and housing construction initiatives, was presented.

# ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:29 am.

NEXT MEETING: Thursday, April 25, 2024 W & M Edelbrock Centre, Dufferin Room, 30 Centre Street, Orangeville ON Respectfully submitted,

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Councillor Chris Gerrits, Acting Chair Infrastructure & Environmental Services Committee



# GENERAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES COMMITTEE MINUTES Thursday, March 28, 2024 at 11:00 am

The Committee met at 11:00 am at the W & M Edelbrock Centre, Dufferin Room, 30 Centre Street, Orangeville.

Members Present:	Councillor John Creelman (Chair) Councillor Chris Gerrits Councillor James McLean Councillor Wade Mills Councillor Steve Soloman Warden Darren White
Members Absent:	Councillor Shane Hall Councillor Todd Taylor (prior notice)
Staff Present:	Sonya Pritchard, Chief Administrative Officer Michelle Dunne, Clerk Aimee Raves, Manager of Corporate Finance, Treasurer Rohan Thompson, Director of People & Equity Steve Murphy, Manager of Preparedness, 911 & Corporate Projects Michelle Hargrave, Administrative Support Specialist

Chair Creelman called the meeting to order at 11:00 am.

# LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT STATEMENT

Chair Creelman shared the Land Acknowledgement Statement.

# ROLL CALL

The Clerk verbally took a roll call of the Councillors in attendance.

# **DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

Warden White declared a pecuniary interest regarding Item #3 – 2024 Community Grant Allocation Recommendations as he volunteers with the 1849 Lorne Scots Army Cadets.

# **PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD**

There were no questions from the public.

# **REPORTS**

1. GENERAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES – March 28, 2024 – ITEM #1 Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Community Advisory Committee Minutes

Minutes from the March 14, 2024 meeting of the Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Community Advisory Committee.

# Moved by Councillor Gerrits, seconded by Councillor McLean

# THAT the minutes from the March 14, 2024 meeting of the Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Community Advisory Committee, be adopted.

-Carried-

2. GENERAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES – March 28, 2024 – ITEM #2 Access Dufferin Minutes

Minutes from the March 20, 2024 meeting of Access Dufferin.

# Moved by Warden White, seconded by Councillor Gerrits

THAT the minutes from the March 20, 2024 meeting of Access Dufferin, be adopted.

-Carried-

 GENERAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES – March 28, 2024 – ITEM #3 2024 Community Grant Allocation Recommendations

A report from Headwaters Communities In Action, dated March 28, 2024, to recommend allocation of the Dufferin County Community Grant funds.

#### Moved by Councillor Gerrits, seconded by Councillor McLean

#### THAT the 2024 Community Grant funds be distributed as follows:

Alzheimer Society of Dufferin County	\$2,000
Bethell Hospice Foundation	\$1,500
Big Brothers, Big Sisters of Dufferin & District	\$4,300
Caledon\Dufferin Victim Services	\$3,000
Caledon Meals on Wheels	\$2,000
Centre Fellowship Church – Centre Café	\$1,500

Children's Foundation Food & Friends	\$5,000
Credit Meadows Elementary School	\$2,000
Dufferin Arts Council	\$3,600
Dufferin County Canadian Black Association	\$2,500
Dufferin County Cultural Resource Circle	\$3,000
Dufferin Film Festival	\$4,000
Dufferin Parent Support Network	\$5,000
East Garafraxa Public School Snack Program	\$2,000
Edify Centre	\$3,000
Everdale Farm	\$3,000
Fiddlehead Care Farm Inc.	\$4,850
Grand Valley & District Horticultural Society	\$500
Headwaters Health Care Centre – TeleCheck	\$1,400
Highlands Youth for Christ	\$3,675
Hospice Dufferin	\$5,000
North Dufferin Agriculture & Community Taskforce	\$2,875
Orangeville & Area Filipino Community	\$1,000
Orangeville & District Seniors Centre	\$2,250
Orangeville Community Band	\$550
Orangeville Fiddle & Stepdance Contest	\$2,000
Orton Community Association	\$1,500
Primrose Elementary School	\$2,000
Rotary Club of Orangeville	\$1,500
Rotary Club of Shelburne	\$2,300
St. John's Ambulance	\$2,000
Steams Community Hub	\$4,000
The Brave Canoe	\$2,000
Westminster United Church	\$3,000
Youth Activists Inc.	\$4,000
	-Carried-

Councillor Mills left the meeting at 11:33 am.

Warden White declared a pecuniary interest and left the meeting at 11:33 am.

# Moved by Councillor McLean, seconded by Councillor Gerrits

# THAT the 1849 Lorne Scots Army Cadets receive a grant of \$1,200 from the 2024 Community Grant funds.

-Carried-

Warden White rejoined the meeting at 11:34 am.

4. GENERAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES – March 28, 2024 – ITEM #4 <u>Review of Council Policies – Report #2</u>

A report from the Clerk, dated March 28, 2024, to seek approval for two updated accountability-related Council policies.

# Moved by Councillor Gerrits, seconded by Councillor McLean

THAT the report from the Clerk, dated March 28, 2024, regarding a review of Council Policies, be received;

AND THAT the following attached Policies be approved:

- Council Professional Development Expenses Policy # 1-03-07
- Delegation of Authority Policy #1-02-08

-Carried-

 GENERAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES – March 28, 2024 – ITEM #5 <u>Memorandum of Understanding with the Salvation Army Emergency Disaster</u> <u>Services</u>

A report from the Manager of Preparedness, 911 & Corporate Projects, dated March 28, 2024, to seek authorization to enter into a memorandum of understanding for emergency disaster services.

# Moved by Warden White, seconded by Councillor McLean

THAT the report from the Manager of Preparedness, 911 & Corporate Projects, dated March 28, 2024, regarding a Memorandum of Understanding with Salvation Army Emergency Disaster Services, be received;

AND THAT the Warden and Clerk be authorized to execute the proposed Memorandum of Understanding on behalf of the County.

-Carried-

# **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 11:41 am.

**NEXT MEETING:** Thursday, April 25, 2024 W & M Edelbrock Centre, Dufferin Room, 30 Centre Street, Orangeville ON

Respectfully submitted,

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Councillor John Creelman, Chair General Government Services Committee



# HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE MINUTES Thursday, March 28, 2024 at 1:00 pm

The Committee met at 1:00 pm at the W & M Edelbrock Centre, 30 Centre St, Orangeville.

Members Present:	Councillor Lisa Post (Chair)	
	Councillor Guy Gardhouse	
	Councillor Earl Hawkins	
	Councillor Gail Little (joined at 1:04 pm)	
	Councillor James McLean	
	Councillor Fred Nix	
	Councillor Philip Rentsch	
	Warden Darren White (joined at 1:09 pm)	

# Other Members Present: Councillor Chris Gerrits

Staff Present:	Sonya Pritchard, Chief Administrative Officer Michelle Dunne, Clerk
	Brenda Wagner, Administrator, Dufferin Oaks
	Anna McGregor, Director of Community Services
	Tom Reid, Chief Paramedic
	Michelle Hargrave, Administrative Support Specialist

Chair Post called the meeting to order at 1:00 pm.

# LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT STATEMENT

Chair Post shared the Land Acknowledgement Statement.

# ROLL CALL

The Clerk verbally took a roll call of Councillors in attendance.

# **DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest.

#### **PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD**

There were no questions from the public.

#### **REPORTS**

1. HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES – March 28, 2024 – ITEM #1 <u>Reallocation of Funding Notice</u>

A report from the Administrator of Dufferin Oaks, dated March 28, 2024, to inform committee members of the Ministry of Health's reallocation of funding notice that has been received by staff.

Councillor Little joined the meeting at 1:04 pm.

#### Moved by Councillor Nix, seconded by Councillor Hawkins

THAT the report of the Administrator, dated March 28, 2024, regarding the Reallocation of Funding Notice, be received.

-Carried-

2. HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES – March 28, 2024 – ITEM #2 <u>Funding Notice – Local Priorities Fund</u>

A report from the Administrator of Dufferin Oaks, dated March 28, 2024, to inform committee members of a recent notice of One-Time funding from Central Region of Ontario Health.

#### Moved by Councillor Nix, seconded by Councillor McLean

THAT the report of the Administrator, dated March 28, 2024, regarding the Funding Notice – Local Priorities Fund, be received.

-Carried-

3. HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES – March 28, 2024 – ITEM #3 2023 Resident & Family Satisfaction Survey

A report from the Administrator of Dufferin Oaks, dated March 28, 2024, to share the results of the 2023 resident and family satisfaction survey.

Warden White joined the meeting at 1:09 pm.

# Moved by Councillor Little, seconded by Councillor Gardhouse

THAT the report of the Administrator, dated March 28, 2024, with regards to the Dufferin Oaks 2023 Resident and Family Satisfaction Survey, be received. -Carried-

4. HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES – March 28, 2024 – ITEM #4 <u>Dufferin County Paramedic Service Annual Report</u>

A report from the Chief Paramedic, dated March 28, 2024, to provide the 2023 Paramedic Service Annual Report.

# Moved by Councillor Little, seconded by Councillor Gardhouse

THAT the report of the Chief of Paramedics, dated March 28, 2024, with regards to the Dufferin County Paramedic Services annual report, be received. -Carried-

5. HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES – March 28, 2024 – ITEM #5 <u>Community Paramedic Support for Long Term Care Funding Letter</u>

A report from the Chief Paramedic, dated March 28, 2024, to provide Council with an update on the funding letter received for the Dufferin County Community Paramedic Program.

# Moved by Councillor Nix, seconded by Councillor McLean

THAT the report of the Chief of Paramedics, Community Paramedic Support for Long Term Care (CPLTC) funding letter, dated March 28, 2024, be received. -Carried-

# **DISCUSSION**

6. HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES – March 28, 2024 – ITEM #6 County Wide Transit

Councillor Gerrits noted he would like Council to form an ad hoc committee similar to the Transit Feasibility Working Group to continue to investigate transit options in the County.

# Moved by Councillor Little, seconded by Councillor McLean

# THAT Committee recommend Council form an ad hoc committee to investigate transit options in the County.

-Carried-

# 7. HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES – March 28, 2024 – ITEM #7 Other Business

Councillor Nix noted he is concerned the motion passed at the March 14, 2024 Council meeting to form a Homelessness Task Force may be a duplication of efforts. A large number of local organizations are involved in the Dufferin County Equity Collaborative (DCEC), which is already looking at the issue of housing and homelessness. Councillor Post noted DCEC looks at homelessness from a service provider standpoint, whereas the County task force would look at it from a policy level prospective.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 1:44 pm.

<b>NEXT MEETING:</b>	Thursday, April 25, 2024
	W & M Edelbrock Centre, 30 Centre St, Orangeville

Respectfully submitted,

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Councillor Lisa Post, Chair Health and Human Services Committee



# COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM COMMITTEE MINUTES Thursday, March 28, 2024 at 3:00 pm

The Committee met at 3:00 pm at the Edelbrock Centre, Dufferin Room, 30 Centre St, Orangeville.

Members Present:	Councillor Janet Horner (Chair) Councillor John Creelman Councillor Guy Gardhouse Councillor Gail Little Councillor Lisa Post Warden Darren White
Members Absent:	Councillor Wade Mills (prior notice)
Staff Present:	Sonya Pritchard, Chief Administrative Officer Michelle Dunne, Clerk Becky MacNaughtan, Chief Building Official Yaw Ennin, Manager of Economic Development Sarah Robinson, Acting Museum Manager Silva Yousif, Senior Planner Michelle Hargrave, Administrative Support Specialist

Chair Horner called the meeting to order at 3:00 pm.

# LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT STATEMENT

Chair Horner shared the Land Acknowledgement Statement.

# ROLL CALL

The Clerk verbally took a roll call of Councillors in attendance.

# **DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest.

## **PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD**

There were no questions from the public.

## **REPORTS**

 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT & TOURISM – March 28, 2024 – ITEM #1 Building Services Division 2023 Annual Report

A report from the Chief Building Official, dated March 28, 2024, to provide the Committee with the information regarding revenues and expenses associated with administering and enforcing the Building Code Act during 2023.

#### Moved by Councillor Little, seconded by Councillor Gardhouse

THAT the report of the Chief Building Official, "Building Services Division 2023 Annual Report", dated March 28, 2024, be received.

-Carried-

2. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT & TOURISM – March 28, 2024 – ITEM #2 Update of Tourism Strategy & Action Plan

A report from the Manager of Economic Development, dated March 28, 2024, to provide an update on the Tourism Strategy and Action Plan.

# Moved by Councillor Post, seconded by Councillor Little

THAT the report of the Manager of Economic Development, "Update of Tourism Strategy & Action Plan (2021-2026)", dated March 28, 2024, be received.

-Carried-

# **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 3:46 pm.

**NEXT MEETING:** Thursday, April 25, 2024 Edelbrock Centre, Dufferin Room, 30 Centre St, Orangeville

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor Janet Horner, Chair

Community Development and Tourism Committee

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Report To: Warden White and Members of County Council

Meeting Date: April 11, 2024

Subject:	First Quarter Procurement Report
From:	Aimee Raves, Manager of Corporate Finance, Treasurer Chris (C.J.) Hasson, Procurement Manager

# Recommendation

# THAT the First Quarter Procurement Report, from the Manager of Corporate Finance, Treasurer, and the Procurement Manager, dated April 11, 2024, be received.

# **Executive Summary**

The purpose of this report is to provide the quarterly update on all Request for Tenders and Request for Proposals in accordance with By-law 2017-33 Procurement of Goods and Services 2017, Section (4.2.7).

# **Background & Discussion**

This report covers the period from January 1, 2024 through March 31, 2024.

The table below provides the details of the Requests for Tender and the Requests for Proposal (where amounts were greater than \$50,000 as per By-Law 2017-33) for the reporting period outlined.

All procurement of goods and services, by every department in the County, is governed by guidelines of the Procurement Policy By-Law 2017-33. There are multiple approval stages, creating a system of checks and balances, to purchases, as outlined in the Policy. Department Heads, or their Authorized Delegate(s) initiate purchases for values up to \$10,000.

As outlined in the policy, further steps are taken in the case of purchases of greater than \$10,000 to obtain competitive quotes. For purchases greater than \$50,000, there are additional steps for formal Tenders and/or Requests for Proposals, including detailed evaluation of bids received. Further, these purchases are reported to Council on a quarterly basis, in reports such as this one. Still further steps are required, as outlined in the Policy, for situations where vendor price bids are above the approved annual budget.

Tender/RFP Number	Description	Status	Vendor	Budget Value	Contract Value (No Tax)
NRFP2023 FA- 23-01	Finance/HR Software	Awarded	MNP Digital Inc.	\$1,000,000	\$413,655
NRFP2023 PW-23-05	Public Works Operation Centre Land Purchase Consultant	Awarded	Aecom Canada Ltd.	\$250,000	\$186,255
NRFP2023 CAO-23-01	Multi-Jurisdictional Fire Prevention and Protection Modernization Plan	Awarded	Emergency Management & Training Inc.	\$75,000	\$59,945
NRFP2024 DO-24-01	Consulting Services for Older Adult Services Review and Development of a Master Housing Strategy (Combined RFP)	Closed: Evaluation stage	-	\$150,000	-

Notes:

1. All of the above projects were approved in 2023.

2. All projects were included in the 2024 budget as well.

# In Support of Strategic Plan Priorities and Objectives:

**Governance** - identify opportunities to improve governance and service delivery/ improve the County's internal and external communication

Respectfully Submitted By:

Aimee Raves, CPA, CMA Manager of Corporate Finance, Treasurer

Chris (C.J.) Hasson, CSCMP, CPSM Procurement Manager

Reviewed by: Sonya Pritchard, Chief Administrative Officer



Report To: Warden White and Members of County Council

Meeting Date: April 11, 2024

Subject: 2023 Financial Results

From: Aimee Raves, Manager of Corporate Finance, Treasurer

#### Recommendation

THAT the report of the Manager of Corporate Finance, Treasurer, dated April 11, 2024, regarding 2023 Year End Results, be received;

AND THAT the projects listed below totalling \$1,137,000 be added to the 2024 capital workplan:

Project	Division	2024 Workplan Adjustment
Vehicles	Building	\$325,000
DR 109 Roadwork	Engineering	\$120,000
Pickup	County Forest	\$60,000
One Tonne Pickup	Operations	\$107,000
Pickup	Facilities	\$60,000
Asphalt Paving	Housing	\$90,000
Security	Paramedics	\$40,000
HVAC	Long Term Care	\$30,000
Interior Upgrades	Long Term Care	\$30,000
Nurse Call System	Long Term Care	\$275,000

#### **Executive Summary**

The purpose of this report is to provide an overview of 2023 financial results. Similar to previous years, vacant positions and additional funding continue to have the most significant impact on the bottom line and contribute to the estimated \$2.4 million surplus.

# **Background & Discussion**

Audit work on our 2023 fiscal year is nearly completed and audited financial statements are expected to be presented to the May 2024 Council. Audited financial statements look quite different than the financial reporting seen throughout the year including the budget as these are presented on a cash basis. The numbers captured in this report are on a cash basis and are unaudited and thus subject to change.

Similar to previous years the County continues to experience unexpected revenues and vacancies that contribute to surpluses. Vacancies often have a two fold impact as they create savings in salaries and benefit line items but also in administrative costs such as conferences and mileage, not to mention work that is unable to be completed, which can impact a variety of expense accounts.

The chart below provides a summary of our year end results for 2023 by department. For comparison purposes 2022 Actual, 2023 Budget and the budget variance shown in both dollars and percentage spent has been included.

(in 000s)	2022 ACTUAL	2023 ACTUAL	2023 BUDGET	UNSPENT BUDGET	%AGE SPENT
Council	\$597	\$752	\$841	\$89	89.4%
Office of the CAO	\$1,174	\$1,160	\$1,255	\$95	92.4%
People and Equity	\$1,247	\$1,333	\$1,319	-\$15	101.1%
Corporate Services	\$2,790	\$2,967	\$3,425	\$458	86.6%
Corporate Finance	-\$787	-\$1,435	-\$1,665	-\$229	86.2%
Health Services	\$5,781	\$6,725	\$6,509	-\$216	103.3%
Infrastructure & Environment	\$17,288	\$18,383	\$18,222	-\$161	100.9%
Dufferin Oaks	\$3,802	\$4,733	\$6,462	\$1,729	73.2%
Community Services	\$5,580	\$5,800	\$6,118	\$318	94.8%
Development and Tourism	\$1,583	\$2,056	\$2,414	\$357	85.2%
Total All Departments	\$39,114	\$42,474	\$44,900	\$2,425	94.6%

Per policy, any year end cash surplus is transferred to the rate stabilization reserve. At the end of 2023 just over \$2.4 million will be transferred to the reserve. Below is a summary of transfers to and from reserves. There were a number of areas to highlight in 2023.

(in 000s)	2022 ACTUAL	2023 ACTUAL	2023 BUDGET	UNSPENT BUDGET	%AGE SPENT
Transfers from Reserves	-\$2,554	-\$2,479	-\$5,909	-\$3,431	42.0%
Transfers from/to Trust	-\$4	\$15	\$7	-\$8	218.0%
DC Contribution	-\$694	-\$895	-\$895	\$0	100.0%
Transfers to Reserves	\$4,020	\$2,111	\$841	-\$1,270	251.0%
Total Transfers	\$797	-\$1,249	\$5,957	-\$4,709	21.0%

Transfers from Reserves were budgeted at nearly \$6 million but transfers of only \$2.4 million were required. Generally, transfers are made at year end once there is a clearer picture of what the year end surplus will be. Nearly \$1.5 million in transfers were found to not be required including the \$1 million planned reduction from the rate stabilization reserve and \$175,000 to mitigate increases within operations and climate and energy. Close to \$1.5 million in transfers not made relate to projects that were either in progress at the end of the year or were deferred to 2024, including over \$1 million for digital transformation projects.

Transfer to Reserves were \$1.2 million higher than budgeted, most of these transfers relate directly to savings within various areas that per practice are transferred to reserves. They include transfers for housing of over \$783,000, transfers to capital, \$152,000 due to additional subsidies and \$166,000 for future roads equipment replacement. County Forest experienced higher than expected timber sales which lead to a transfer to reserve of \$70,000 versus the budgeted transfer from reserve of \$65,000. Lastly \$67,800 of additional transfers were approved by Council throughout the year.

#### <u>Revenues</u>

The chart below summarizes the different types of revenues received. Revenues were nearly \$5.9 million more than budgeted.

(in 000s)	2022	2023	2023	UNSPENT	%AGE
(11 0005)	ACTUAL	ACTUAL	BUDGET	BUDGET	SPENT
User Fees	\$5,881	\$5,298	\$5,320	\$23	99.6%
Supplemental Taxation	\$686	\$548	\$355	-\$194	154.6%
Investment Income	\$1,037	\$2,067	\$775	-\$1,292	266.8%
Rent Revenue	\$3,186	\$3,433	\$3,929	\$496	87.4%
Government Transfers	\$37,217	\$42,101	\$37,439	-\$4,662	112.6%
Other Revenue	\$4,452	\$3,748	\$3,514	-\$233	106.6%
Total Revenue	\$52,460	\$57,195	\$51,333	-\$5,862	111.4%

Investment income as reported in *GGS 2024-02-22 2023 Investment Activity* was much higher than anticipated. Nearly \$1.3 million more interest was received than expected due

to higher cash volumes and high interest rates. Rent revenue included expected increases related to the renewal of the courthouse lease which is still in progress.

Dufferin Oaks, Housing and Early Years and Child Care (EYCC) saw increases in government transfers. Almost \$1.6 million additional subsidies for Dufferin Oaks contributed directly to the 2023 surplus whereas the additional \$5.1 million received for EYCC was transferred to child care providers. Lower than expected transfers to Ontario Works clients combined with lower than expected costs in Ontario Works and Paramedics offsets these increases by \$2.4 million.

Other revenue is also more than budgeted primarily due to additional timber sales, accommodation revenues for Dufferin Oaks and an increase in admin related revenues which are directly related to increased subsidies.

#### <u>Expenses</u>

Salaries and Benefits continues to be under budget due to staff vacancies. The addition of Vacancy Savings to the budget in 2023 offsets the impact to the bottom line. Savings in Administrative and Office are directly related to staff vacancies, consulting work deferred to 2024, and projects that were less than anticipated. Similar savings have also been experienced in Service Delivery however these savings have been offset by the increase in external transfers made in EYCC and Housing.

(in 000s)	2022 ACTUAL	2023 ACTUAL	2023 BUDGET	UNSPENT BUDGET	%AGE SPENT
Salaries and Benefits	\$31,623	\$35,219	\$36,348	\$1,129	96.9%
Vacancy Savings	\$0	\$0	-\$750	-\$750	0.0%
Administrative and Office	\$4,211	\$4,948	\$6,275	\$1,327	78.9%
Debt Repayment	\$1,055	\$1,309	\$1,309	\$0	100.0%
Service Delivery	\$38,987	\$43,625	\$41,927	-\$1,697	104.0%
IT and Communications	\$1,323	\$1,480	\$2,797	\$1,318	52.9%
Facilities	\$4,537	\$5,235	\$5,200	-\$35	100.7%
Vehicles and Equipment	\$1,485	\$1,471	\$1,452	-\$19	101.3%
Internal Services Used	\$1,784	\$2,090	\$1,888	-\$202	110.7%
Internal Services Recovered	-\$1,784	-\$2,090	-\$1,888	\$202	110.7%
COVID	\$31	\$0	0	0	0.0%
Total Expenses	\$83,253	\$93,287	\$94,559	\$1,272	98.4%

Although utilities were lower than budgeted these savings were offset by increases to snow clearing contracts, cleaning contracts as well as general maintenance costs as staff work to maintain aging buildings and deal with unit turnover. Higher vehicle maintenance costs as well as additional funding for Oaks equipment purchases contributed to the overages in Vehicles and Equipment.

#### Surplus Breakdown

The total surplus for 2023 is projected to be approximately \$2.4 million, as stated above several factors are contributing to surplus. The major contributing factors are summarized below. This summary highlights how the total surplus would have been significantly higher if all the planned transfers from reserve had been made.

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i otai Surpius \$2,425,000	Total Surplus	\$2,425,000

#### Capital Asset Fund

Development Charge Contributions and Government Transfers depend directly on the actual costs of projects. In 2023, the costs for roads and structures projects were lower than budgeted leading to less funding being allocated. Other revenue primarily includes proceeds from the sale of assets and transfers from operating. The budget included \$860,000 from the Province for the Courtroom repairs which were deferred to 2024.

Debt financing relates to the new operations centre which has not been required to date. The EA for 109 was deferred to 2024 as was the completion of the work on the Rail Trail both of which were to be funded from reserves resulting in less transfers than budget.

In relation to Capital Work, although much work was accomplished in 2023, less than 50% of planned work was completed. For a variety of reasons nearly 30% or \$7.5 million of

projects were deferred to 2024 or future years, \$3.3 million of this relates to the new operations centre. Some of planned projects are for assets that are nearing the end of their useful life, however if the asset is still in good working order or has not failed the replacement is deferred until required. The remaining 20% of the work plan relates to projects that were underbudget or that need to be added to the 2024 workplan.

(in 000s)	2023	2023	2023	2023
(11 0005)	ACTUAL	BUDGET	ADJTS*	REVISED
Opening Balance	\$17,986	\$17,986	\$17,986	\$17,986
Contributions				
Government Transfers	\$2,952	\$3,438	\$92	\$3,530
Capital Levy (Property Taxes)	\$7,630	\$7,630	\$0	\$7,630
Other Revenue	\$1,412	\$1,802	\$44	\$1,846
Debt Financing	\$0	\$3,500	\$0	\$3,500
Transfers from Reserves	\$489	\$1,585	\$0	\$1,585
DC Contribution	\$287	\$441	\$0	\$441
Total Contributions	\$12,770	\$18,397	\$136	\$18,533
Capital Work				
Land	\$0	\$3,300	\$0	\$3,300
Land Improvements	\$1,400	\$2,342	\$212	\$2,554
Buildings	\$1,390	\$4,309	\$1,007	\$5,316
Equipment & Machinery	\$767	\$1,164	\$98	\$1,262
Vehicles	\$1,096	\$2,120	\$151	\$2,271
Roads	\$5,436	\$7,723	\$304	\$8,027
Bridges and Culverts	\$1,029	\$1,692	\$80	\$1,772
Other	\$87	\$0	\$400	\$400
Total Capital Work	\$11,205	\$22,649	\$2,252	\$24,902
Ending Capital Asset Fund Balance	\$19,552	\$13,734	-	\$11,617

\* approved adjustments made throughout 2023

# Financial, Staffing, Legal, or IT Considerations

Per policy the surplus will be moved into the rate stabilization reserve. A report discussing reserves will follow in coming months to address the possibility of reallocating funds from the rate stabilization reserve to a new strategic initiatives reserve.

# 2024 Workplan Adjustments

As the budget is typically presented to Council and approved in the fall, it is often difficult to predict which projects may or may not be completed prior to the end of the year. Thus it is not uncommon to require adjustments to the current year workplan based on prior year work that was incomplete. The chart below provides a summary of such projects.

Project	Division	2024 Workplan Adjustment	
Vehicles	Building	\$325,000	
DR 109 Roadwork	Engineering	\$120,000	
Pickup	County Forest	\$60,000	
One Tonne Pickup	Operations	\$107,000	
Pickup	Facilities	\$60,000	
Asphalt Paving	Housing	\$90,000	
Security	Paramedics	\$40,000	
HVAC	Long Term Care	\$30,000	
Interior Upgrades	Long Term Care	\$30,000	
Nurse Call System	Long Term Care	\$275,000	

All of these projects will be funded through their respective capital asset reserves as the funds were available in 2023 and were not spent. The total amount is \$1,137,000.

# In Support of Strategic Plan Priorities and Objectives

**Governance** - identify opportunities to improve governance and service delivery/ improve the County's internal and external communication

Respectfully Submitted By:

Aimee Raves, CPA, CMA Manager of Corporate Finance, Treasurer

Reviewed by: Sonya Pritchard, Chief Administrative Officer



Report To: Warden White and Members of County Council

Meeting Date: April 11, 2024

Subject:New Supportive Housing CollaborationFrom:Anna McGregor, Director Community Services

Recommendation

THAT the report of the Director of Community Services, titled New Supportive Housing Collaboration, dated April 11, 2024, be received.

#### **Executive Summary**

On April 27, 2023, the Health and Human Services Committee received details on the changes to the provincial Homelessness Prevention Program (HPP) funding. See Report HHS 2023-04-27 Homelessness Prevention Program Update: <u>2023-04-27 Health & Human Services Agenda (dufferincounty.ca)</u> Those changes included a shift where "Supportive Housing" was included in the funding. This report provides details on a new Supportive Housing Collaboration between the County of Dufferin and Services and Housing In the Province (SHIP) at 236 First Street, Orangeville.

#### **Background & Discussion**

#### Affordable Housing and Supports

SHIP recognized the need for more affordable supportive housing in Orangeville and as a result purchased 236 First Street, with a plan to re-develop the property and bring permanent housing to individuals in Orangeville.

The new development is comprised of twenty-seven (27) individual homes featuring both one-bed and two-bedroom studios to accommodate individuals and families with low to moderate incomes, which supports an identified shortage of affordable supportive housing in Orangeville.

The County of Dufferin also recognized the need for more affordable supportive housing in Orangeville. County staff held discussions with SHIP on how SHIP and the County could collaborate to help address both needs for more affordable housing and more support Services. The County of Dufferin have been able to secure ten (10) of the 27 units for County of Dufferin clients.

## Supports

The County of Dufferin has entered into an agreement, using funding from the Homelessness Prevention Program (HPP) to provide funding to SHIP to provide one (1) Full-time Housing Stability Specialist.

The position will provide high quality, integrated, person-directed housing, and services within the County of Dufferin to approximately twenty (20) individuals who are on the By-Name-List (BNL) and/or being supported by the County of Dufferin and may be facing eviction.

To support Dufferin's Coordinated Access, the County facilitates a weekly Coordinated Access Table (CAT) meeting where the BNL is reviewed and discussed. The CAT is comprised of local service providers who work together to support people in housing crisis and who are homeless. This position is part of and will collaborate with the members of the Coordinated Access Table (CAT).

This role will support approximately twenty (20) individuals. Fifteen (15) individuals who are on the County of Dufferin's BNL and five (5) will be from referrals from the County of Dufferin who are housed and require housing stability support to maintain their housing. This ratio may fluctuate based on priority and needs and will include the tenants for the ten (10) one-bed studios.

The County and the Housing Support Specialist are currently in the process of reviewing referrals for the First Street units. The target population is the homeless and/ or at risk of homelessness and those with mental health and/or substance abuse issues.

Referrals for the ten (10) County units, come from members of the Coordinated Access Table (CAT) and go to County staff for review and are then submitted to SHIP for assessment. The Rent supplement will be reviewed and disbursed monthly by the County to SHIP.

The 236 First Street location is not designed to take only high needs clients. It is designed to house people with mental health and/or addiction diagnoses of various levels/severity. This means that not all referrals may be accepted, if for example, someone's needs are too complex.

#### Rent Supplement

SHIP anticipates the expected move-in dates for new tenants will start at the end of April 2024. The County will be entering into Rent Supplement Agreements for the ten (10) one-bedroom studios, to support the affordability for those tenants.

#### On-Site Staff

SHIP's Dufferin Services Team offices will be located on-site alongside office space for community partners. There will not be on-site 24-hour security or 24-hour support services. Tenants will be provided with contact details for who to reach out to, after office hours.

#### Ribbon Cutting

SHIP is holding a ribbon cutting ceremony on Friday, April 12, 2024 from at 3:00 pm – 4:30 pm at 236 First Street, Orangeville. Details are attached.

# Financial, Staffing, Legal, or IT Considerations

The cost for the Housing Stability Specialist and the Rent Supplements will come from the Homelessness Prevention Program funding. The Province has not yet shared the details on the next round of funding for the Homelessness Prevention Program (HPP) for 2024-2025. Currently, staff are working to the 2023-2024 funding level.

# In Support of Strategic Plan Priorities and Objectives

**Community** - increase affordable and attainable housing options **Governance** - identify opportunities to improve governance and service delivery/ improve the County's internal and external communication **Equity** – align programs, services, and infrastructure with changing community needs

Respectfully Submitted By:

Anna McGregor Director Community Services

Attachments: 236 First Street Ribbon Cutting Flyer

Reviewed by: Sonya Pritchard, Chief Administrative Officer





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Report To: Warden White and Members of County Council

Meeting Date: April 11, 2024

Subject:Official Plan Amendment No. 5 – Township of MulmurFrom:Silva Yousif, Senior Planner

Recommendation

THAT the report of the Senior Planner, titled Official Plan Amendment No. 5 – Township of Mulmur, dated April 11, 2024, be received;

AND THAT Council approve Official Plan Amendment No. 5, as adopted by the Township of Mulmur.

# **Executive Summary**

The following report provides Council with staff's recommendation on Township of Mulmur Official Plan Amendment No. 5, pursuant to O. Reg 543/06 of the *Planning Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. P.13.

Township of Mulmur Official Plan Amendment No. 5 establishes a new policy section related solely to Natural Heritage and reorganizes existing policies in the Township of Mulmur Official Plan to align with the new Natural Heritage policy section. In addition, OPA No. 5 updates key environmental definitions, and schedules, as well as implements new appendices, to align with the updated environmental policies in the Official Plan.

County Planning staff have determined that OPA No. 5 conforms to the overarching policies in the *Planning Act*, Provincial Policy Statement (2020), and County of Dufferin Official Plan. Based on the aforementioned, staff recommend approval of OPA No. 5 to the Township of Mulmur Official Plan.

#### Background & Discussion

The Township of Mulmur adopted OPA No. 5 on December 13, 2023 and subsequently forwarded the Record of Decision package to the County on December 18, 2023 (see Attachment A) for County review and approval.

The County of Dufferin is the approval authority of Official Plan Amendments for the Township of Mulmur, and as such, this report recommends that County Council approve the Township of Mulmur Official Plan Amendment No. 5.

The purpose of Official Plan Amendment No. 5 to the Township of Mulmur is to align the Township Official Plan, specifically the Environmental policies and schedules, with the *Planning Act*. In addition, OPA No. 5 aims to update and refresh existing terminology and definitions.

Proposed changes will affect lands throughout the entire Township and will include:

- i. Creation of new policy sections, and associated subsections, related to Natural Heritage, Water Resources, and Protecting Public Health and Safety, in the Township of Mulmur.
- ii. Reorganization of policies under section 5 and placement of such policies under the newly created Natural Heritage policy section and associated subsections.
- iii. Establishment of policy section related to Environmental Impact Studies (EIS) and the requirement of such studies, as well as applicable guidelines for the completion of an EIS.
- iv. Updating of certain existing definitions, specifically those related to environmental policies, and addition of definitions that support existing terminology/definitions.
- v. Updating of Schedules B1, B2, B3, B4, and B5 to ensure alignment and conformance with revised policies under section 6A.1.1.
- vi. Addition of new appendices (No. 1, 2, and 3) related to the following:
  - Provincial Plan and Dufferin County Official Plan Natural Heritage Systems
  - Physical Constraints and Hazards
  - Potential Forest (Wildland Fire) Hazard
- vii. Remove duplication and simplify subject matter.

As per the Public Meeting Notice, a public meeting was conducted on September 6<sup>th</sup>, 2023, to provide an opportunity for residents to provide their opinions and comments on the Township Official Plan Amendment. This public meeting was held pursuant to Section 26 of the *Planning Act*.

In-effect Dufferin County Official Plan (2017) Conformity

The County Official Plan provides general County-level policy direction for land use planning and a framework to guide the physical, social, economic, and environmental management of the County and address matters of County significance. The policies of the Plan are further implemented through more detailed land use and development policies in the local municipal official plans. All local municipal official plans and zoning by-laws are required to conform to the County Official Plan.

**Section 5.1 (a)** states that the County shall protect, restore or where possible enhance natural resources, including surface and groundwater resources to provide safe drinking water, promote water conservation, and recognize the importance of the County as an important headwater area.

**Section 5.1 (b)** states that the County shall protect, restore or where possible enhance natural heritage features and the environment and foster the creation of an enhanced and connected natural heritage system, and recognize the importance of Provincially significant landscapes and land forms located within the Niagara Escarpment Plan, the Oak Ridges Moraine, and the Greenbelt Plan Area.

**Section 5.1 (f)** states that natural heritage features and areas will be protected for the long-term.

**Section 5.4.1 (a)** states that the County will protect, improve, or restore the quality and quantity of water by using the watershed as the ecologically meaningful scale for integrated and long-term planning.

**Section 5.4.1 (d)** states that the County and local municipalities will encourage the protection and restoration of natural heritage features and areas to improve the quality and quantity of water.

**Section 5.4.2 (b)** states that the County and local municipalities will support the implementation of restrictions on development and site alteration to protect all municipal drinking water supplies and designated vulnerable areas, and protect, improve or restore vulnerable and sensitive surface and ground water features and their hydrologic functions.

**Section 5.4.2 (e)** states that Local municipalities shall further identify within their official plans the time of travel zone/areas within the Wellhead Protection Areas.

**Section 6.2** states that local municipal official plans will identify hazards and provide associated policies which achieve the intent of this Plan.

**Section 6.3.3 (a)** states that the County and local municipalities will encourage remediation and their appropriate redevelopment, of contaminated sites, or land adjacent

to known or potentially contaminated sites, in accordance with provincial regulations and procedures and the policies of this Plan and the local municipal official plan.

**Section 6.3.3 (c)** states that the County and local municipalities will encourage owners of potentially contaminated sites to remediate their sites so that they may be reintegrated into the community.

**Section 8.6.1** states that local municipal official plans will establish planning strategies and policies for the local municipality which have appropriate regard for Provincial Plans, policies and legislation, and which implement and are in conformity with this Plan. Local municipal official plans may include policies that are more restrictive than the policies in this Plan, but are not more restrictive than where expressly limited by provincial policy and legislation.

# Council Adopted Dufferin County Official Plan (2024) Conformity

The County of Dufferin has recently adopted a new County Official Plan. The policies being brought forward under the Council adopted County Official Plan shall be reviewed in accordance with the Township of Mulmur Official Plan Amendment Five to ensure overall conformity.

**Section 5.1 (a)** states that the County shall protect, restore or where possible enhance natural resources, including surface and groundwater resources to provide safe drinking water, promote water conservation, and recognize the importance of the County as an important headwater area.

**Section 5.1 (b)** states that the County shall protect, restore or where possible enhance natural heritage features and the environment and recognize the importance of Provincially significant landscapes and land forms located within the Niagara Escarpment Plan, the Oak Ridges Moraine, and the Greenbelt Plan Area.

**Section 5.1 (c)** states that the County shall implement a *Natural Heritage System* to reinforce the protection, restoration or, where possible, enhancement of natural heritage features and functions and strengthen and promote their interconnectivity, for the overall environmental health of the County.

**Section 5.1 (f)** states that natural heritage features and areas will be protected for the long-term.

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**Section 5.4.2 (e)** states that Local municipalities shall further identify within their official plans the time of travel zone/areas within the Wellhead Protection Areas.

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# Financial, Staffing, Legal, or IT Considerations

There will be not budgetary impact at this time. However, it should be noted that appeals may be brought forth within 20 days of the decision by Council on OPA No. 5.

# In Support of Strategic Plan Priorities and Objectives

*Climate & Environment* – establish the County as a leader in Climate Action/enhance and conserve Dufferin's natural environment.

**Community** - increase affordable and attainable housing options / support community well-being and safety through collaboration and partnerships/ explore opportunities to improve access to healthcare services.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Silva Yousif Senior Planner

Prepared by: Liam Morgan Development Planner

Attachments:

• OPA Submission to County of Dufferin

Reviewed by: Sonya Pritchard, Chief Administrative Officer

For a complete copy of the OPA submission package, please contact the Clerk's department.



# THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MULMUR

# BY LAW NO. 34 - 2023

BEING A BY-LAW OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MULMUR TO ADOPT AN AMENDMENT TO THE OFFICIAL PLAN.

(OPA NO. 5 - Environment, Natural Hazard &Natural Resources Policies)

THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MULMURM IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PLANNING ACT, R.S.O. 1990, HEREBY ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. THAT Amendment No. 5 to the Official Plan for the Township of Mulmur is hereby adopted.
- THAT the Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to make application to the County of Dufferin for approval of the aforementioned Amendment No.5 to the Official Plan for the Township of Mulmur.
- 3. THAT this by-law shall come into force and take effect on the day of the final passing thereof.

READ A FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD TIME, AND FINALLY PASSED THIS 13<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF DECEMBER 2023.

JANET HORNER, MAYOR

TRACEY ATKINSON, CLERK

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# **OFFICIAL PLAN AMENDMENT NO. 5**

# TO THE

# **OFFICIAL PLAN**

# **OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MULMUR**

(Environment, Natural Hazard & Natural Resources Policies)

DECEMBER 2023

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#### CONSTITUTIONAL STATEMENT

# OFFICIAL PLAN

#### FOR THE

#### TOWNSHIP OF MULMUR

#### **OFFICIAL PLAN AMENDMENT NO. 5**

Amendment No. 5 to the Official Plan for the Township of Mulmur was prepared and recommended to the Council of the Township of Mulmur under the provisions of the *Planning Act*, R.S.O. 1990, on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2023.

This Amendment was adopted by the Corporation of the Township of Mulmur by By-law No. 34-2023, in accordance with the provisions of the *Planning Act* R.S.O. 1990, on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2023.

Mayor Janet Horner

Clerk - Tracey Atkinson

# PART B - THE AMENDMENT

#### 1.0 Introductory Statement

This part of the document entitled Part B – The Amendment, which consists of the following text, Schedules B1 to B5, and Appendices 1-4, constitute Amendment No. 5 to the Official Plan for the Township of Mulmur.

#### 2.0 Details of the Amendment

The Amendment consists of 99 items in Tables A and B including the mapping as outlined in Table B.

The Official Plan is amended as follows:

- Changes to text and mapping of the Official Plan are amended as per the following tables of this Amendment:
  - a. Table A Text Amendments
  - b. Table B Schedule Amendments

#### 3.0 Implementation

The provisions of the Official Plan regarding the implementation of that Plan shall also apply to this Amendment.

#### 4.0 Interpretation

The provisions of the Official Plan for the Township of Mulmur, as amended from time to time, shall apply to this Amendment.

# 5.0 Table A – Text Amendments

Item No.	Policy Number	Details of the Amendment	
1.		"Ministries of Environment and Natural Resources" is changed to "Province" in all instances in the Official Plan.	
2.	3.0	To the third sentence of the third paragraph, the clause "and agricultural landscape" is added after "character."	
3.	5.15	The following text is deleted: "Renewable energy undertakings are exempt from <i>Planning</i> <i>Act</i> approvals as per Schedule K of the <i>Green Energy</i> and <i>Green Economy Act</i> , 2009. These undertakings shall be subject to the <i>Green Energy</i> and <i>Green Economy Act</i> and other Provincial and Federal approvals. Where required, the Township will review and comment on proposed renewable energy projects when consulted by renewable energy project proponents in accordance with the Renewable Energy Approval (REA) process under the Environmental Protection Act. Both alternative energy systems and renewable energy systems, as defined in Section 13 of this Plan have the same	
		<ul> <li>Energy and Green Economy Act."</li> <li>The following text is added:</li> <li>"The following shall apply to alternative and renewable energy projects:</li> <li>a) The Township will seek to implement the policies of this</li> </ul>	
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		c) All alternative and renewable energy projects shall only be permitted by a rezoning approved by Council. Projects approved by a rezoning shall also be subject to Site Plan	

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		<ul> <li>d) The Zoning By-law shall establish distance separation for alternative and renewable energy projects from sensitive land uses.</li> </ul>
		e) Ground mounted solar renewable energy facilities of up to 10 kilowatts are permitted in prime agricultural areas as an on-farm diversified use. Facilities in excess of 10 kilowatts shall not be located in prime agricultural areas.
		<ul> <li>f) Small scale solar panels that provide electricity for use on the same property will be considered accessory uses.</li> </ul>
		g) Roof mounted solar generating facilities of all sizes will be encouraged subject to confirmation that the supporting structure is capable of bearing the weight.
		h) In assessing an alternative energy projects, proponents and the Township shall take into consideration:
		<ol> <li>Potential noise from turbines and also humming of any substations or power lines.</li> </ol>
		<ol> <li>Impacts to agriculture including drainage, soil conservation and productivity, number of acres taken out of production, and field fragmentation.</li> </ol>
		<ol> <li>Visual impact including lighting, colouring, blade glint, shadow flicker, overshadowing and impacts on natural landscapes and general visual amenity.</li> </ol>
		<ol> <li>Location of utility lines and any associated utility buildings, substations, etc., and landscaping and screening of same.</li> </ol>
		<ol> <li>Impacts to the natural environment including but not limited to migration routes, significant natural areas, new waterway crossings, geotechnical concerns.</li> </ol>
		<ol> <li>Whether utilities should be buried or overhead, and impacts on watercourse crossings of utility lines and access roads.</li> </ol>
		<ol> <li>Impacts to cultural and built heritage, archeological resources and recreational areas.</li> </ol>

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		6A.1.4.6.	
11.	5.21	This policy is moved to Part B, Section 6A.1.4.9.	
12.	5.21.1	This policy is moved to Part B, Section 6A.1.4.5. The following text is deleted:	
		"Wildlife habitat includes those areas of the natural environment where plants, animals, and other organisms, excluding fish, live, and find adequate amounts of food, water, shelter and space needed to sustain their populations, including areas where species concentrate at a vulnerable point in their annual or life cycle; and areas which are important to migratory or non-migratory species."	
13.	5.21.2	This policy is deleted and replaced by Part B, Section 6A.1.4.5.	
14.	5.21.3	This policy is moved to Part B, Section 6A.1.4.3. The following text is deleted:	
		"Water resources sustaining fish populations shall be maintained in a clean and healthy condition. Development and site alteration shall not be permitted in fish habitat, except in accordance with provincial and federal requirements.	
		Development and site alteration shall not be permitted on adjacent lands to fish habitat unless the ecological function of the adjacent lands has been evaluated through an EIS and it has been demonstrated that there will be no negative impacts on the habitat or on its ecological functions. The following criteria shall also be addressed:	
		<ul> <li>i) the necessity of ensuring that there will be no net loss, and the potential for realizing a net gain in the productive capacity of fish habitat;</li> </ul>	
		ii) the importance of maintaining existing watercourses in a healthy and natural state, and;	
		iii) the importance of maintaining vegetative buffers in accordance with the sensitivity of the fishery resource.	
		Adjacent lands are defined for the purposes of this section as lands within 120 m."	
15.	5.21.4	This policy is deleted.	
16.	5.21.5	This policy is deleted and replaced by Part B, Section 6A.1.4.4.	

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17.	5.22	This policy is moved to Part B, Section 6A.1.4.1.		
18.	5.22.1	This policy is moved to Part B, Section 6A.1.4.1.		
19.	5.23	This policy is moved to Part B, Section 6A.1.4.2.		
20.	5.23.1	This policy is moved to Part B, Section 6A.1.4.2.		
21.	5.24	This policy is moved to Part B, Section 6A.1.4.7.		
22.	5.24.1	This policy is moved to Part B, Section 6A.1.4.7.		
23.	5.27	This policy is moved to Part B, Section 6A.1.4.7. This policy is moved to Part B, Sections 6A.3.1; 6A.3.1.1; 6A.3.1.2; 6A.3.1.3; 6A.3.1.4; and 6A.3.1.5.		
24.	5.28	This policy is moved to Part B, Section 6A.3		
25.	5.28.1	This policy is moved to Part B, Section 6A.3.2		
26.	5.29	This policy is deleted.		
27.	5.29.1	This policy is moved to Part B, Section 6A.3.1.7.		
28.	5.29.2	This policy is moved to Part B, Section 6A.3.1.8.		
29.	5.32	The policy is deleted. The text is moved to Part B, Section 9.1.		
30.	5.33	This policy is deleted.		
31.	5.36	<ul> <li>"B4" in policy i) is deleted and replaced with "B5"</li> <li>The clause ", and through significant natural heritage features or areas" after "threat" is deleted from existing policy j).</li> <li>The following is added as policy k):</li> <li>"Lot lines shall avoid the fragmentation of provincially significant wetlands and significant woodlands and should avoid the fragmentation of other natural heritage features and areas wherever possible and practical."</li> <li>Move "and" from the end of policy i) to the end of policy j) and adjust punctuation accordingly.</li> </ul>		
32.	5.41	At the end of the final paragraph ", including those pertaining to natural heritage and natural hazards" is inserted.		
33.	N/A	A new section is created titled "Part B: Natural Heritage and Related Environmental Policies".		
		Renumber subsequent Parts accordingly.		
34.	6A.1	A new policy is created titled "6A.1 Natural Heritage". The following text is added: "Natural features and areas within the Township shall be		

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		protected for the long term.
		The Township recognizes natural features and areas function as a part of a natural system that provides ecological services, including climate regulation, soil retention, natural water filtration, flood mitigation, habitat for fauna, fish, flora, and fowl, and nutrient re-cycling.
		The Township will consider the health and integrity of the natural features or ecological functions for which an area is identified, due to single, multiple or successive development or site alteration activities when reviewing planning applications and undertaking public works. This may include consideration of the impacts of a changing climate."
		The following text is moved from Part A, Section 5.18 to Section 6A.1:
		"The diversity and connectivity of natural features in an area, and the long-term ecological function and biodiversity of natural heritage systems, should be maintained, restored or, where possible, improved, recognizing linkages between and among natural heritage features and areas, surface water features and ground water features."
35.	6A.1.1	A new policy is created titled "6A.1.1 Natural Heritage System." The following text is added:
		"The Township will implement the Natural Heritage System established in this Plan, as well as those of Provincial Plans and the Dufferin County Official Plan.
		The Dufferin County Official Plan implements a Natural Heritage System that includes lands within the Township identified as Escarpment Natural Area and Escarpment Protection Area in the Niagara Escarpment Plan as well as lands within Provincial Natural Heritage Systems.
		The Township will implement Provincial Plan and Dufferin County Natural Heritage Systems as overlays to the land use designations shown on Schedules A1 to A7. Provincial Plan and Dufferin County Natural Heritage Systems are mapped in Appendix 1 for information purposes only. Copies of these plans currently in effect should be consulted where applicable.

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		following as overlays to the land use designations on Schedules A1 to A7:
		Category 1 Features
		<ul> <li>Provincially Significant Wetlands</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Other Wetlands (unevaluated or regionally or locally significant)</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Habitat of Endangered Species and Threatened Species</li> </ul>
	1	Fish Habitat
		Category 2 Features
		<ul> <li>Significant Areas of Natural and Scientific Interest (ANSI)</li> </ul>
		Significant Woodlands
		Significant Valleylands
	12	Significant Wildlife Habitat
		<ul> <li>Lands Adjacent to Category 1 features and adjacent to certain Category 2 features as noted in these policies</li> </ul>
		Category 3 Features
		<ul> <li>Lands adjacent to other Category 2 features</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Corridors and Linkage Features</li> </ul>
		Highly Vulnerable Aquifers
		Significant Groundwater Recharge Areas
		Other Surface Water Features
		<ul> <li>Woodlands other than Significant Woodlands</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Other Locally Significant Natural Features, Areas or Landforms</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Other Wildlife Habitat, including core deer wintering yards</li> </ul>
		These features may overlap or be coincident. Some features require further work to identify or constitute sensitive information that cannot be displayed on Schedules to this Plan. All natural features and areas identified in the Natural

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		Heritage policies of this Plan are to be protected where they are present within the Township in accordance with the policies of this Plan, the Provincial Policy Statement, applicable Provincial Plans, and the Dufferin County Official Plan.
		All natural features identified on Schedules of this Plan should be considered schematic and subject to confirmation by an Ecological Site Assessment and possible refinement of boundaries by an Environmental Impact Study.
		Protection of natural features and areas is typically achieved by prohibiting development and site alteration within them and on lands adjacent to them. Some natural features and areas are a greater constraint than others when considering land use planning applications.
		<ul> <li>For Category 1 features, no development or site alteration is permitted, except in the case of fish habitat and habitat of endangered species or threatened species, development may be permitted in accordance with provincial and federal requirements. Infrastructure may also be permitted in some circumstances in accordance with applicable legislation and regulations.</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>For Category 2 features, development and site alteration may be permitted if it can be demonstrated through an Environmental Impact Study that no negative impacts on the features or their associated ecological functions will result.</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>For Category 3 features, development and site alteration are subject to policies in this Plan directed at improving the overall health of the Township's Natural Heritage System, including restoration and enhancement of natural features and areas, including the improvement of linkages within corridors.</li> </ul>
		Nothing in the policies of Section 6A.1 are intended to limit the ability of agricultural uses to continue."
36,	6A.1.2	A new policy is created titled "6A.1.2 Identification of the Township Natural Heritage System." The following text is added:

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		"The Natural Heritage System is identified on Schedule B1 and is to be considered an overlay to the land use designations on Schedules A1 to A7 of this Plan. Despite the designation that lands may have on Schedules A1 to A7 of this Plan, development of lands will be generally directed away from the Natural Heritage System and/or subject to such evaluations or conditions as required by the policies of this Plan and the Dufferin County Official Plan. Note: the Natural Heritage System includes lands designated
37.	6A.1.3	Natural Areas on Schedules A1 to A7 of this Plan."           A new policy is created titled "6A.1.3 Identification of Natural
		Heritage Features and Areas." The following text is added: "Components or individual natural features of the Natura Heritage System are identified on Schedules B2 to B4 and are to be considered as overlays to the land use designations on Schedules A1 to A7 of this Plan. Despite the designation that lands may have on Schedules A1 to A7 of this Plan, development of lands will be generally directed away from natural features and areas and/or subject to such evaluations or conditions as required by the policies of this Plan and the Dufferin County Official Plan."
38.	6A.1.4	A new policy is created titled "6A.1.4 Natural Heritage Features and Areas." The following text is added: "The Township has many natural features and areas that are important for their environmental and social values Collectively they represent the legacy of natural landscapes in the area. The Natural Heritage System is made up of these natural features and areas in accordance with terminology and policy direction from the Province and Dufferin County."
39.	6A.1.4.1	<ul> <li>A new policy is created titled "6A.1.4.1 Wetlands." The text is as follows:</li> <li>"All Wetlands shall be protected from the negative impacts of development or site alterations." is moved from Part A, Section 5.22.</li> <li>"The responsibility for establishing criteria which determines the significance of wetlands rests with the Province of Ontario. The evaluation and delineation of Provincially Significant Wetlands can only be</li> </ul>

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10.	Number	<ul> <li>completed by a Certified Ontario Wetland Evaluator. Wetlands will be shown on Schedule B2 as identified and delineated by the Province and Certified Ontario Wetland Evaluators." is added.</li> <li>"Negative impacts are all impacts that result in degradation that threatens the health and integrity of the wetland or its ecological functions due to single, multiple or successive development or site alteration activities." is moved from Part A, Section 5.22.</li> <li>"Development and site alteration shall not be permitted in Significant Wetlands.</li> </ul>
		on adjacent lands to significant wetlands unless the ecological function of the adjacent lands has been evaluated, through an Environmental Impact Study, and it has been demonstrated that there will be no negative impacts on the wetland or on its ecological functions, and addresses the criteria identified in this Section. For all significant wetlands, a minimum 30 metre vegetation protection zone shall be established and maintained. Lands within 120 metres of Significant Wetlands shall be considered Adjacent Lands." is moved from Part A, Section 5.22.1.
		The following text is moved from Part A, Section 5.22:
		<ul> <li>"Except as outlined above for significant wetlands, development adjacent to and within 30 m. of wetlands shall only be permitted if it can be demonstrated, through an Environmental Impact Study, that it will not result in any of the following:</li> </ul>
		1. loss of wetland functions;
		<ol> <li>subsequent demand for future development which will negatively affect existing wetland functions;</li> </ol>
		<ol> <li>conflict with existing site specific wetland management practices; and,</li> </ol>
		4. loss of contiguous wetland area."
		The above text is revised as follows:
		<ul> <li>In the first sentence of the fourth bullet, insert "this"</li> </ul>

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		before "Section" and delete "5.22"
		<ul> <li>In the fourth bullet, the sentence "Adjacent lands from significant wetlands are defined for the purposes of this section as lands within 120 m. of the significant wetland." is deleted and replaced with "Lands within 120 metres of Significant Wetlands shall be considered Adjacent Lands."</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>In the fourth sentence of the fifth bullet, "in the following section dealing specifically with" is deleted and replaced with "above for"</li> </ul>
40.	6A.1.4.2	A new policy is created titled "6A.1.4.2 Areas of Natural and Scientific Interest." The text is as follows:
		<ul> <li>"Areas of Natural and Scientific Interest (ANSIs), are of two types, earth science ANSIs and life science ANSIs. A further distinction is made to define those ANSIs which are considered to be "provincially significant" from those that are considered to be "regionally or locally significant"." is moved from Part A, Section 5.23.</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>"ANSIs are identified on Schedule B3. Development and site alteration will not be permitted within or adjacent to an ANSI unless it has been demonstrated that there will be no negative impacts on the natural features or their ecological functions through the preparation of an Environmental Impact Study.</li> </ul>
		Lands within 50 metres of a Significant ANSI – Earth Science or within 120 metres of a Significant ANSI – Life Science shall be considered adjacent lands." is added.
41,	6A.1.4.3	A new policy is created titled "6A.1.4.3 Fish Habitat." The text is as follows:
		<ul> <li>"Fish habitat is spawning grounds and nursery, rearing, food supply, and migration areas on which fish depend directly or indirectly in order to carry out their life processes.</li> </ul>
		Development and site alteration will not be permitted in or adjacent to fish habitat except in accordance with

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		Provincial and Federal requirements.
		Lands within 120 metres of Fish Habitat shall be considered Adjacent Lands." is added.
		<ul> <li>"Where development and site alteration is permitted, the best available construction and management practices shall be used to protect water quality and quantity, both during and after construction. Treatment of surface run-off to maintain water quality and hydrological characteristics in receiving watercourses shall meet the standards established by the Province and the Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority." is moved from Part A, Section 5.21.3.</li> </ul>
42.	6A.1.4.4	A new policy is created titled "6A.1.4.4 Habitat of Endangered Species and Threatened Species." The following text is added:
		"The habitat of endangered species and threatened species is not shown on Schedules of this Plan, since species and habitat information is limited or not published. Habitat of endangered species and threatened species are listed or categorized on the Province of Ontario official Species at Risk list, as updated and amended from time to time. The Province administers the <i>Endangered Species Act</i> , 2007 (ESA) to protect and conserve species at risk and their habitats. Under the ESA, the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry is responsible for identifying and approving general and regulated habitat, as well as giving technical advice on species at risk and their habitats. The technical advice provided under the ESA supports the implementation of natural heritage policies found within the Provincial Policy Statement. For the purposes of the Provincial Policy Statement, the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry is responsible for approving the delineation of habitat for endangered and threatened species. Development and site alteration will not be permitted in or
		adjacent to habitat of endangered species and threatened species, except in accordance with Provincial and Federal requirements.
		Lands within 120 metres of Significant Habitat of Endangered and Threatened Species shall be considered

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		Adjacent Lands."
43.	6A.1.4.5	<ul> <li>A new policy is created titled "6A.1.4.5 Wildlife Habitat." The text is as follows:</li> <li>"Wildlife of many varieties abounds in the Township particularly within the rural and natural areas, the Pine and Boyne River valleys and the Niagara Escarpment Plan Area. Many species are very common, whereas some others are considered rare, vulnerable threatened or even endangered. All species, and the protection of significant habitats are vital to the diversity and health of the Township's ecosystems."</li> </ul>
		Wildlife habitat includes those areas of the natural environment where plants, animals, and other organisms, excluding fish, live, and find adequate amounts of food, water, shelter and space needed to sustain their populations, including areas where species concentrate at a vulnerable point in their annual or life cycle; and areas which are important to migratory or non-migratory species.
		Where permitted by this Plan, development and site alteration in wildlife habitat shall be designed so as to:
		a) minimize the impacts on wildlife and wildlife habitat;
		<ul> <li>b) maintain corridors and linkages with adjacent areas; and</li> </ul>
		c) enhance habitat wherever possible." is moved from Part A, Section 5.22.1.
		<ul> <li>"Development and site alteration will not be permitted within or adjacent to significant wildlife habitat unless it has been demonstrated that there will be no negative impacts on the natural features or their ecological functions through the preparation of an Environmental Impact Study.</li> </ul>

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		corridors.
		Lands within 120 metres of Significant Wildlife Habitat shall be considered Adjacent Lands." is added.
44.	6A.1.4.6	A new policy is created titled "6A.1.4.6 Woodlands." The following text is added:
		"The intent of this Plan is to conserve existing Woodlands and vegetation and prohibit incompatible land uses that deter their long term benefits. Woodlands are mapped on Schedule B3. The exact boundaries of wooded areas may change over time. Woodlands mapped on Schedule B3 should be regarded as schematic and subject to verification by an Ecological Site Assessment or Environmental Impact Study.
		Significant Woodlands
		Development and Site Alteration is not permitted within or adjacent to Significant Woodlands unless an Environmental Impact Study has demonstrated that there will be no negative impacts on natural features or their ecological functions.
		Significant Woodlands shall be identified in accordance with criteria provided in the Dufferin County Official Plan. Woodlands over 10 hectares in size are identified on Schedule B3.
		Lands within 120 metres of Significant Woodlands shall be considered Adjacent Lands."
45.	6A.1.4.7	A new policy is created titled "6A.1.4.7 Valleylands." The following text is moved from Part A, Section 5.24:
		"Valleylands may have a combination of natural features warranting protection, and physical constraints from which new development should be protected.
		For the purposes of this Plan, valleylands are broken into two distinct categories, according to their natural heritage values, and their physical constraints.
		Valleylands with important natural features and/or functions include the following:
		<ul> <li>a riparian habitat zone within 30 m. of each side of all coldwater streams and permanently flowing rivers and</li> </ul>

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		streams with a drainage area of more than approximately 125 ha.;
		<ul> <li>lands within wetlands associated with all such rivers and streams and including their associated wetland buffers, and;</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>other forested areas that are contiguous with the above, generally to, but not beyond the valley rim.</li> </ul>
		Valleylands with hazards and/or physical constraints to development include the following;
		<ul> <li>the channels and floodplains of rivers and streams with a drainage area greater than 125 ha.;</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>the meander belt associated with all such rivers and streams, and;</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>steep slope areas that are contiguous with the above, generally to the valley rim.</li> </ul>
		These areas, as defined in the above text have not been shown separately on the schedules to this Plan, as no reliable and sufficiently accurate mapping currently exists. However, the above parameters make it relatively easy to identify where valleylands exist within the Township, based on the mapping of other features that are components of valleylands (wetlands, steep slopes) included on Schedules B1, B2 and B3.
		The most important valley and stream corridors in the Township are generally already designated as Escarpment Natural Areas in the Niagara Escarpment Plan or as Natural Areas in this Plan.
		Development within valleylands shall not be permitted, if there is a conflict with Provincial Policies, or the policies of this Plan or the Niagara Escarpment Plan (generally those developments proposed in close proximity to rivers and streams, within wetlands, floodplains and areas with unstable soils or slopes).
		In other valleyland areas with natural features and functions, proposed development and site alterations, supported where necessary by the positive results of an environmental impact study acceptable to the Township , following consultation

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		with other commenting agencies and approval authorities, may be permitted.
		Appropriate development set-backs from rivers and streams, wetlands, contiguous forested areas or from significant features within such forested areas, may be established in such studies, and enforced through conditions of <i>Planning</i> <i>Act</i> application approval.
		In other valleyland areas with hazards and physical constraints, proposed development and site alterations, supported where necessary by the positive results of a soils and/or slope stability assessment acceptable to the Township and the Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority, may also be permitted.
		Appropriate set-backs from rivers and streams and from the top and/or toe of slopes may be established in such studies, and enforced through re-zoning where required, or as conditions of <i>Planning Act</i> application approval.
		The Township shall also consider the impacts of development and site alterations on steep slopes in relation to the desire to maintain the predominantly open, rural and natural appearance and scenic values of the landscape in the immediate area, and the rural character of the Township generally."
		The following text is moved from Part A, Section 5.24.1:
		For the purposes of this Plan, significant valleylands are those lands along the main channels of the Boyne River, the Pine River and Black Bank Creek, and including the associated floodplains, meander belts and wetlands. The boundaries of significant valleylands shall be identified on the schedules to this plan when further information becomes available, through a site-specific amendment, if required for individual developments or at the five-year municipal comprehensive review stage. Other areas may be added if it is determined through subsequent studies that such areas constitute significant valleylands.
		Unless it has been demonstrated through an EIS that there will be no negative impacts on the natural features or their ecological functions, development and site alteration shall

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		<ul> <li>not be permitted in significant valleylands. Negative impact is defined as degradation that threatens the health and integrity of the natural features or ecological functions for which the valleyland is identified due to single, multiple or successive development or site alteration activities.</li> <li>Development and site alteration shall not be permitted on adjacent lands to significant valleylands unless the ecological function of the adjacent lands has been evaluated through an EIS, and it has been demonstrated that there will be no negative impacts (as defined in Section 13 of this Plan) on the significant valleyland or on its ecological functions. Adjacent lands are defined, for the purposes of this section, as lands within 120 metres of significant</li> </ul>
		valleylands. The following changes are made to the above text:
		<ul> <li>In paragraph 5, after "Schedules," "B1, B2 and B3" is replaced with "and Appendices of the Plan"</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>In paragraph 8, after "where necessary by," "the positive results of" is deleted</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>In paragraph 9, after "Planning Act Application," "approval" is added.</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>In paragraph 10, after "where necessary by," "the positive results of" is deleted</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>In paragraph 11, after "amendment," "re-zoning" is deleted</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Following paragraph 12, a new subheading titled "Significant Valleylands" is added</li> </ul>
46.	6A.1.4.8	A new policy is created titled "6A.1.4.8 Forest Resources." The following text is moved from Part A, Section 5.20:
		"Forests in Mulmur Township are generally managed for recreation, conservation and wood production purposes. Forested areas contribute positively to the scenic beauty and rural character of the Township and provide important environmental, visual screening and buffering benefits.
		It is therefore important that existing forested areas generally be maintained in order to preserve the rural and scenic character, and maintain the environmental health and

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		The management of productive forests, particularly those of high capability for the continuous production of good quality timber on a sustainable basis, and for their associated wildlife, water conservation, recreation and aesthetic benefits, will be encouraged.
		Tree planting and reforestation shall continue to be encouraged, particularly where native tree species are used and a natural ecosystem approach, as opposed to a monoculture (plantation), is adopted.
		The preservation of existing forests and reforestation will be promoted in headwaters and groundwater infiltration areas critical to the maintenance of the quality and quantity of natural streams and water supplies, stream valleys, along stream banks, in areas with shallow and unstable soils steeply sloped areas, on cut over areas and on abandoned and marginal farmlands.
		In considering proposals for the development of forested lands, regard shall be had to:
		<ol> <li>the role that the forests of the site play in maintaining the character of the Township as a scenic and desirable area for recreational, rural residentia and tourism development;</li> </ol>
		<ol> <li>the importance of maintaining and enhancing (and, where necessary, compensating for the loss of tree cover on the site, for conservation and environmental purposes;</li> </ol>
		3. the importance of retaining forests considered suitable for future commercial forest production; and,
		<ol> <li>the appropriateness of the proposal in significant woodlands.</li> </ol>
		New development should preserve trees and wooded areas as much as possible and practical, and the disturbance of treed areas should be minimized. Site plan and development agreements containing specific protection requirements and management details may be required for developments in forested areas."
		Existing tree cover or other stabilizing vegetation shal generally be maintained on slopes in excess of 30 per cent and preserved wherever possible and practical on slopes

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		between 15 percent and 30 percent, as identified on Schedule B3. Trees to be retained should be protected by means of snow fencing, wrapping, or other acceptable means during construction (e.g. tree wells), where necessary.
		Unless specifically exempted by the County of Dufferin Forest Conservation By-law, all cutting of trees requires permit approval from the County. The approval of the Niagara Escarpment Commission is also required for tree cutting or clearing within the Niagara Escarpment Plan Area.
		The policies of this Section shall be applied by the Township at the <i>Planning Act</i> applications stage, where and as applicable. The cutting of trees for new development shall not be approved in advance of the approval of the development.
		Approval to cut trees for an approved development shall generally be conditional upon:
		<ul> <li>a) using tree cutting methods designed to minimize adverse effects on the natural environment including surface drainage and groundwater;</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>b) minimizing disruption of habitats for plants and animal species occurring in the area;</li> </ul>
		c) retaining the diversity of tree species;
		<ul> <li>d) aiming, over the long term, to retain or enhance the quality, appearance and productivity of the forest site; and</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>e) minimizing cutting within highly sensitive areas such as steep slopes, unstable soils, stream valleys, wetlands and areas of significant groundwater recharge and discharge."</li> </ul>
		The following changes are made to the above text:
		After 30 percent, delete ", as identified on Schedule B3"
		After exempted by the, delete "County of Dufferin Forest Conservation By-law" and replace with "By-law to Prohibit or Regulate the Destruction or Injuring of Trees in the Township of Mulmur"

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		After all cutting of trees requires permit approval from the, delete "County" and replace with "Township".
47.	6A.1.4.9	A new policy titled "6A.1.4.9 Fish and Wildlife Resources" is created. The following text is added:
		"The fish and wildlife resources of the Township are an important indicator of its environmental quality and health. The presence of such resources adds substantially to the quality of life and the experience of being in the Township, whether as a resident or visitor. The Township shall encourage the preservation and protection of these valued resources and, where necessary, their management to sustain and enhance existing populations."
48.	6A.1.5	A new policy titled "6A.1.5 Corridors and Linkage Features" is created. The following text is added:
		"Connections or linkage features between the natural heritage features and areas should be maintained, enhanced and where possible restored. Enhancement and restoration may involve, but is not limited to, the use of buffer strips, lot line tree plantings, conservation easements, gravel pit rehabilitation plans, <i>Planning Act</i> tools, creation of habitat/natural areas under an <i>Endangered Species Act</i> (2007) authorization, or land dedications through the development approvals process.
		Connections and linkage features are not mapped on Schedules of this Plan but should be protected from development and site alteration where an Ecological Site Assessment and/or Environment Impact Study determines the ecological connectivity of the Natural Heritage System would negatively impacted by the elimination, reduction in size or change in shape of the linkage feature(s)."
49.	6A.1.6	A new policy titled "6A.1.6 Environmental Impact Studies" is created. The following text is added:
		"An Environmental Impact Study shall be required in accordance with the policies of this Plan for development and site alteration in the Natural Heritage System. The study shall demonstrate no negative impact on the natural features or the ecological functions for which the feature is identified and may determine the nature and extent of the feature and its ecological function, may incorporate a buffer or setbacks

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		from the feature, and, may result in in a site layout that addresses the study recommendations."
50.	6A.1.6.1	A new policy titled "6A.1.6.1 General Policies" is created. The following text is added:
		"An Environmental Impact Study required under this Plan shall be submitted with the development application and shall be prepared and signed by a qualified biologist or ecologist. A peer review of the study may be required by the Approval Authority.
		An Environmental Impact Study shall be required for development on lands adjacent to natural heritage features.
		<ol> <li>Adjacent Lands are generally within 120 metres of the feature unless an alternative standard for Adjacent Lands is established in the Dufferin County Official Plan or the policies for natural heritage features and areas in this Plan.</li> </ol>
		<ol> <li>Adjacent Lands may be reduced on a site- specific basis based on the scale of the development, the nature of the feature, details specific to the site and surrounding lands, and the likelihood of whether there would be a negative impact on the feature.</li> </ol>
		Environmental Impact Studies shall be completed in accordance with the process requirements as outlined in the Dufferin County Official Plan.
		In accordance with the Dufferin County Official Plan, the purpose of an Environmental Impact Study is to:
		<ul> <li>a) collect and evaluate the appropriate information in order to have a complete understanding of the boundaries, attributes and functions of natural heritage features and associated ecological and hydrological functions that exist;</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>b) to determine whether there are any additional natural heritage features on the lands and adjacent lands; and</li> </ul>
		c) make an informed decision as to whether or not the proposed development and/or site alteration will have a negative impact on the natural heritage features and

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		The Township, in coordination with Dufferin County, may develop guidelines for the evaluation of development proposals consistent with the policies of this Plan."
51.	6A.1.6.2	A new policy titled "6A.1.6.2 Scope and Content" is created. The following text is added: "The required scope and/or content of an Environmental Impact Study may be modified through pre-consultation with the Township, County, and, where applicable, Niagara Escarpment Commission and Conservation Authority where the environmental impacts of a development application are thought to be limited, or if other environmental studies fulfilling some or all requirements of an Environmental Impact Study have been accepted by the Township and County and where applicable, the Conservation Authority."
52.	6A.1.6.3	A new policy is titled "6A.1.6.3 Requirement Waived or Reduced." The following text is added: "An Environmental Impact Study may not be required where the Township, in consultation with the County, determines that no negative impacts would be anticipated on adjacent lands. The requirements for an Environmental Impact Study may be reduced or removed in the following circumstances and only where no negative impact is anticipated:
		<ol> <li>Where the proposed development is small scale (non-agricultural development); or</li> <li>Where the proposed development is small or</li> </ol>
		medium scale (agricultural development only); or
		<ol><li>Where the proposed development is not in an area regulated by the Conservation Authority; or</li></ol>
		<ol><li>Where the proposed development is on an existing lot of record; or</li></ol>
		<ol><li>Where the development is an addition located away from the feature; or</li></ol>
		<ol> <li>Where the proposed development is separated from the feature by a road or existing development; or</li> </ol>
		7. Where the development is wholly contained

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		within the existing footprint or includes a minor addition that is > 15m from the feature.
		An Environmental Impact Study is not required for uses authorised under an Environmental Assessment process carried out in accordance with Provincial or Federal legislation or a watershed plan carried out by Dufferin County and/or a Conservation Authority.
		Where it is demonstrated that all, or a portion of, a Category Two or Category Three feature does not meet the criteria for designation under this Plan and thus the site of a proposed development or site alteration no longer is located within the Category Two or Category Three feature or adjacent land then the restrictions on development and site alteration set out do not apply. This policy requires an Environmental Impact Study or study through an Environmental Assessment process to determine whether the designation is still appropriate.
		A peer review of an Environmental Impact Study may be required by the Township. The costs of the peer review will be borne by the applicant.
53.	6A.1.6.4	A new policy is created title "Transition Policies". The following text is added:
		The following transition policies shall apply:
		a. Where pre-consultation has been completed within one year of adoption of the updated policies, the policies in effect at the time of the pre-consultation will apply.
		b. Where an EIS has been completed within the past five years under the policies in effect prior to the adoption of the updated policies, and the development has not been approved, the EIS will be used for the review of the development application.
		c. Where draft approval of a plan of subdivision or a consent has been granted, the subdivision or consent may proceed with the draft approval.
		d. If an extension of draft plan approval is requested, the request will be reviewed in light of the updated policies and revisions to the draft plan and/or studies may be required.

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		e. If a draft plan of subdivision lapses, the new policies will be the basis for reviewing the new draf plan of subdivision."
54.	6A.2	A new policy is created titled "Water Resources." The following text is added:
		"The Township contains rivers, streams and small inland lake systems that support the natural environment and Township's communities."
		The following text is moved from Part A, Section 5:
		"The Township shall ensure the protection, maintenance and enhancement of water and related resources and aquation ecosystems on an integrated watershed management basis Land use decisions will protect source water areas, maintain surface and groundwater resources in sufficient quality and quantity to meet existing and future needs on a sustainable basis, promote water conservation and support the efficient use of water.
		The Township shall encourage the protection, improvement and restoration of the quality and quantity of water resources by:
		<ul> <li>a) using the watershed as the ecologically meaningfu scale for planning;</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>b) minimizing potential negative impacts, including cross-jurisdictional and cross-watershed impacts;</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>c) identifying surface water features, ground water features, hydrologic functions, and natural heritage features, and areas which are necessary for the hydrological and ecological integrity of the watershed;</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>d) implementing, where appropriate, the necessary restrictions on development and site alteration to:</li> </ul>
		<ol> <li>protect all municipal and private drinking water supplies, and;</li> </ol>
		<ol> <li>protect, improve and restore vulnerable surface and ground water, sensitive surface water features and sensitive ground water features, significant recharge areas and highly vulnerable aquifers, and their hydrologic functions;</li> </ol>

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		<ul> <li>e) maintaining linkages and related functions of water resource systems among surface water features, ground water features, hydrologic functions and natural heritage features and areas;</li> </ul>
		<li>f) promoting efficient and sustainable use of water resources, including practices for water conservation and sustaining water quality; and</li>
		<ul> <li>g) ensuring stormwater management practices minimize stormwater volumes and contaminant loads and, where possible, maintain or increase the extent of vegetative and pervious surfaces.</li> </ul>
		Development and site alteration shall be restricted in or near sensitive surface water features and sensitive ground water features so that these features and their related hydrologic functions will be protected, improved and restored. The relative sensitivity of such features shall be determined in any required hydrology or hydrogeology studies submitted in support of <i>Planning Act</i> applications.
		Mitigation measures and/or alternative development approaches may be required in order to protect, improve and restore sensitive surface water features, sensitive ground water features, and their hydrologic functions.
		The Township may require the proponent of any proposal requiring <i>Planning Act</i> application approval that has the potential to substantially impact surface or groundwater resources, such as, for example, a major recreational development involving residential development around a golf course, or a large, agricultural rural or resource-related use, or a quarry, to also prepare and provide a Water Resource Management (WRM) Report which incorporates the findings and recommendations of any required hydrology and/or hydrogeology studies submitted in support of the application(s), and which also demonstrates how the potential impacts on water quality and quantity are to be addressed by:
		<ul> <li>maintaining natural hydrological characteristics including baseflow of watercourses;</li> </ul>
		<li>ii) maintaining sensitive groundwater recharge/discharge areas, aquifer and headwater areas;</li>

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		iii) requiring the development and monitoring of water budgets at a scale appropriate for the proposal;
		iv) protecting fish and wildlife habitat;
		<ul> <li>v) maintaining existing drainage patterns and/or restoring natural drainage patterns where possible, and;</li> </ul>
		vi) protecting significant recharge areas and highly vulnerable aquifers.
		The required content of the WRM report shall be determined at the pre-consultation stage in relation to the size and anticipated potential impacts of the proposal and the concerns and requirements of the commenting/approval agencies. The WRM report shall be prepared by a qualified professional to the satisfaction of the Township and/or other approval authorities, as appropriate.
		During and after development, sediment and erosion control measures shall be maintained to the satisfaction of the approval authorities.
		The following development criteria shall apply to development affecting the quantity and/or quality of water resources:
		a) It shall be demonstrated that water taking and diversions associated with a proposed use are an essential part of their operation. Water taking and diversions shall not have a significant or long term impact on water quality, water quantity and the environment. The Township may require that studies be undertaken to justify the need and amount of water taking and/or diversions and to adequately mitigate impacts on the environment.
		b) When considering whether to allow a use which involves water taking or diversion, the Township shall consider the number, distribution, location and intensity of such activities within the watershed in terms of:
		i) the impact on water quality and quantity;
		<ul> <li>ii) the cumulative effect on the objectives of this</li> <li>Plan and designation, and;</li> </ul>
		iii) the quantity, character, sensitivity and

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		vulnerability of natural streams and water supplies.
		Water-taking and de-watering shall only be permitted in accordance with the standards and permit requirements of the Province and the NVCA. Vulnerable Aquifers and Significant Groundwater Recharge Areas, as shown on Schedule C shall be protected. (OPA#1)
		The Township shall also take into consideration the water resource management policies and permit requirements of the Province and the Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority."
		The following changes are made to the above text:
		<ul> <li>In paragraph 2, "encourage the" is deleted</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>In paragraph 2, "protection" is edited to "protect"</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>In paragraph 2, "improvement" is edited to "improve"</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>In paragraph 2, "restoration of" is edited to "restore"</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>In policy a, following "meaningful scale for," "integrated and long-term" is added</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>In policy a, following "planning," "which can be a foundation for considering cumulative impacts o development;" is added</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>In policy c, "surface water features, ground water features, hydrologic functions, and natural heritage features, and areas which are necessary for the hydrological and ecological integrity of the watershed" is deleted and replaced with "water resource systems"</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>In policy d) 1., following "protect," "all municipal and private" is deleted</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>In policy d) 1., following "supplies," "and designated vulnerable areas" is added</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>In policy d) 2., "sensitive surface water features and sensitive ground water features, significant recharge areas and highly vulnerable aquifers" is deleted</li> </ul>

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		<ul> <li>In policy e, "related" is deleted</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>In policy e, "surface water features, ground water features, hydrologic functions and natural heritage features and areas" is deleted</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>In policy e, "and" is added to the end of the clause</li> </ul>
		In policy f, "and" is deleted from the end of the clause
		Policy g is deleted
		<ul> <li>In paragraph 3, following "water features," "so" is deleted and replaced with "such"</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>In paragraph 3, following "restored," ", which may require mitigative measures and/or alternative development approaches." is added.</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>"Mitigation measures and/or alternative development approaches may be required in order to protect, improve and restore sensitive surface water features, sensitive ground water features, and their hydrologic functions." is deleted</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>In paragraph 8, "MOECC" is deleted and replaced with "Province"</li> </ul>
55.	6A.2.1	A new policy is created titled "6A.2.1 Water Taking." The following text is moved from Part A, Section 5:
		"All uses on a lot involving the taking of a total of 50,000 litres per day, or more, of water from surface and/or groundwater sources shall require a Permit to Take Water from the Province, pursuant to the Ontario Water Resources Act. A detailed hydrology or hydrogeology report, as appropriate, shall be required in support of all such proposals.
		The taking of 50,000 litres per day, or more, of water by existing uses permitted by this Plan shall, at all times, be in accordance with the requirements of a valid Permit to Take Water issued by the Province. No <i>Planning Act</i> application involving the expansion of any such existing use that involves the taking of any additional amount of water not already permitted in a valid Permit to Take Water, shall be approved unless the Province has first confirmed that the additional water taking is appropriate and has been

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		While the Township will rely on the Province to determine if a new use, or the expansion of an existing use, involving the taking of a total of more than 50,000 l/per day is appropriate the Township is concerned that the 50,000 l/day threshold for requiring an evaluation of potential impacts on the surface or groundwater resources of the Township, may be too high, particularly where the cumulative or successive impacts of similar uses could combine to cause significan detriment to sensitive surface or groundwater resources in the Township.
		Therefore, with the exception of agricultural uses permitted by this Plan, no <i>Planning Act</i> application involving the expansion of any existing use that involves the taking of any additional amount of water exceeding 20,000 l/day up to a total of 50,000 l/day, or any new use involving the taking of more than 10,000 l/day up to a total of 50,000 l/day shall be approved unless the Township has first confirmed that the proposed water taking is appropriate. The Township may, a its discretion, require a hydrology or hydrogeological study as appropriate, and may also invite comments and input or the proposal from the Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority and/or its hydrogeological consultants.
		Provisions shall be incorporated into the Zoning By-law to prohibit the expansion of such existing uses, and all such new uses, other than agricultural uses, except as may be permitted by site-specific amendment to the Zoning By-law where deemed to be appropriate and in accordance with this Plan, on a case-by-case basis.
		Commercial uses that involve the taking of water for sale whether in bulk and/or in containers, is deemed to be a land use requiring the approval of the Township under the <i>Planning Act</i> . The applicable policies of this Plan and requirements of the Zoning By-law shall apply. Hydrogeology or hydrology studies, as appropriate, may be required.
		Any required hydrology or hydrogeology report shall clearly identify and evaluate the impacts on both the surface and groundwater resources of the Township, as well as or existing developments, water supplies and supply systems The report may be required to consider the impacts on a watershed basis and relate the impacts to an overall wate

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		budget.
		The report shall be prepared by a firm of qualified professionals, must be acceptable to the Township and/o the Province and/or the Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority, as applicable, and must demonstrate that the impacts are minimal and acceptable.
		Proposals that result in the significant degradation to the quality and quantity of water, sensitive surface wate features and sensitive ground water features, and thei related hydrologic functions, due to single, multiple o successive development or site alteration activities, shall no be permitted."
56.	6A.2.2	A new policy is created titled "6A.2.2 Source Wate Protection." The following text is moved from Part A, Section 5:
		"The quality and quantity of groundwater and surface water resources in Mulmur will be protected for the provision of safe and clean drinking water in accordance with the <i>Clear</i> <i>Water Act</i> and the Source Protection Plan for the South Georgian Bay Lake Simcoe Source Protection Region as in applies to the Nottawasaga Valley Source Protection Area.
		Wellhead protection areas for the three existing wells in Mansfield and a wellhead protection area associated with a well located outside of the Township (in Lisle) shall be managed and are shown on Schedule C. Developments and activities that have the potential to significantly and adversely affect the quality of existing and planned supplies shall no be permitted.
		In accordance with the <i>Clean Water Act</i> and the Source Protection Plan, the following land uses and facilities are either managed or prohibited where they would be a significant drinking water threat.:
		1. Waste disposal sites
		2. Large on-site sewage systems (10,000L)
		<ol> <li>Non-agricultural source material storage facilities commercial fertilizer storage facilities, pesticide storage facilities and outdoor confinement or farm animal yard</li> </ol>
		4. Road salt storage facilities

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		5. Snow storage facilities
		6. Fuel storage
		7. Dense non-aqueous phase liquid (DNAPL) storage
		8. Organic solvent storage
		The Township will encourage the design of parking and loading areas, roadways, and sidewalks in a manner that minimizes impermeable areas and the need for road salt application, site and grading design that directs run-off outside of vulnerable areas or to storm sewers and the implementation of salt management measures and best practises.
		Private individual on-site sewage systems shall not be permitted where it would be a significant drinking water threat.
		The design of new stormwater management facilities shall reduce the risk of drinking water contamination, where possible direct the discharge of stormwater outside of well head protection areas, and shall not be located or designed in a manner that would result in a significant drinking water threat.
		The Township may require that Master Environmental Servicing Plans (MESPs) or similar information required to be submitted as part of a complete application for development to demonstrate that the location and design of infrastructure will avoid associated drinking water threats."
57.	6A.2.3	A policy is moved from Part A, Section 5 titled "6A.2.3 Pine River Sub-Watershed Water Resources." The text is as follows:
		"The Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority (NVCA) has completed a Tier 1 water budget and water quantity stress assessment of the various sub-watersheds within the Township, including large portions of the Boyne and Pine River sub-watersheds as well as small portions of the Upper Nottawasaga and Mad River watersheds.
		The Pine River sub-watershed has been identified as being under stress, both in terms of the demands being placed on water resources, and anticipated future demands. The need for further study has been identified, to address the potential for growth and the resulting expansion of municipal, as well

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		A further cause of potential stress is associated with water taking for agricultural operations (irrigation in particular) and from existing and proposed aggregate extraction operations in the sub-watershed.
		The findings and recommendations of these further studies, when available, shall be implemented in the Official Plan by the Township, in consultation with other commenting agencies and approval authorities, to protect the water resources of the Pine River sub-watershed. (OPA#1)"
58.	6A.3	A new policy is created titled "6A.3 Protecting Public Health and Safety." The following text is moved from Part A, Section 5.28:
		"The importance of protecting the health and safety of residents and visitors to the Township shall be paramount.
		The Township's long-term prosperity, environmental health and social well-being depend on reducing the potential for public cost or risk to Township residents and the visiting public from natural or human-made hazards. Development shall be directed away from areas of natural or human-made hazards where there is an unacceptable risk to public health or safety or of property damage."
		The following text is added:
		"The Township recognizes that natural hazards related to erosion and flooding may be impacted by a changing climate. Mitigating potential risk to public health or safety or of property damage from natural hazards, including risks that may be associated with the impacts of a changing climate, will require the Township to work together with the Province, County, and Conservation Authority."
59.	6A.3.1	A new policy is created titled "6A.3.1 Natural Hazards." The following text is moved from Part A, Section 5.27:
	1	"Physical hazard areas are areas that should not generally be developed, or from which a degree of protection is considered necessary.
		Many of the physical hazard areas in the Township are

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		shown on Schedule B3, as follows:
		<ul> <li>All floodplains resulting from the greater of the Timmins Storm flood event or the 100 year flood event;</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>All other areas with organic soils and/or poor drainage;</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Identified erosion hazard areas, adjacent river and streams including flooding hazard limit or meander belt allowance, stable slope allowance, toe erosion allowance and erosion access allowance;</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>In addition to the above, all other areas where slopes are in excess of 6 m in height and have the potential to be unstable (broken down into areas with between 15 and 30 percent slope, and areas with greater than 30 percent slope);</li> </ul>
		The areas shown on Schedule A3 are derived from available digital information data bases. Other hazard lands may exist, and associated allowances, access allowances, buffers and set-backs that are intended to be subject to the policies of this Section may not be shown.
		Other hazardous areas and sites may be identified, and appropriate allowances, set-backs and buffers shall generally be established by the Township in consultation with the Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority, the lead agency in regards to natural hazards. Such allowances, set-backs and buffers may be reduced or eliminated based on the findings and recommendations of a natural hazard assessment report acceptable to and approved by the Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority.
		For the purposes of this Section, hazardous lands include any property or lands that could be unsafe for development due to naturally occurring processes. Along river, stream and small inland lake systems, this means the land, including that covered by water, to the furthest landward limit of the flooding hazard or erosion hazard limits.
		Hazardous sites include any property or lands that could be unsafe for development and site alteration due to naturally occurring hazards. These may include unstable soils (sensitive marine clays (leda), organic soils) or unstable bedrock (karst topography)."

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		The following changes are made to the above text:
		<ul> <li>In paragraph 1, "Physical hazard areas" is deleted and replaced with "Natural Hazards"</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>In paragraph 1, "areas" is deleted and replaced with "lands or sites"</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>In paragraph 2, "physical hazard areas" is deleted and replaced with "hazardous lands and sites"</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>In paragraph 2, "Schedule A3" is deleted and replaced with "Appendix 2"</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>"In addition to the above, all other areas where slopes are in excess of 6 m in height and have the potential to be unstable (broken down into areas with between 15 and 30 percent slope, and areas with greater than 30 percent slope);" is deleted</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>In paragraph 3, "Schedule A3" is deleted and replaced with "Appendix 2"</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>In paragraph 3, "Other hazard lands may exist, and associated allowances, access allowances, buffers and set-backs that are intended to be subject to the policies of this Section may not be shown." is deleted and replaced with "Other hazardous lands may exist but not be shown that are intended, along with associated allowances, access allowances, buffers and setbacks, to be subject to the policies of this Plan."</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>In paragraph 4, "areas" is deleted and replaced with "lands"</li> </ul>
60.	6A.3.1.1	A new policy is created titled "6A.3.1.1 General Development Policies." The following text is moved from Part A, Section 5.27:
		"Development shall generally be directed to areas outside of:
		<ol> <li>hazardous lands adjacent to river and stream systems which are impacted by flooding hazards and/or erosion hazards; and</li> </ol>
		2. hazardous sites.

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		Development and site alteration shall not be permitted within:
		<ol> <li>areas that would be rendered inaccessible to people and vehicles during times of flooding hazards and/or erosion hazards, unless it has been demonstrated that the site has safe access appropriate for the nature of the development and the natural hazard; and</li> </ol>
		<ol> <li>a floodway regardless of whether the area of inundation contains high points of land not subject to flooding.</li> </ol>
		Development shall not be permitted to locate in hazardous lands and hazardous sites where the use is:
		<ol> <li>an institutional use associated with hospitals, nursing homes, pre-school, school nurseries, day care and schools, where there is a threat to the safe evacuation of the sick, the elderly, persons with disabilities or the young during an emergency as a result of flooding, failure of floodproofing measures or protection works, or erosion;</li> </ol>
		<ol> <li>an essential emergency service such as that provided by fire, police and ambulance stations and electrical substations, which would be impaired during an emergency as a result of flooding, the failure of floodproofing measures and/or protection works, and/or erosion; and</li> </ol>
		<ol> <li>uses associated with the disposal, manufacture, treatment or storage of hazardous substances."</li> </ol>
		A lettered list from a) through c) is added to each sentence beginning with the word "Development."
61.	6A.3.1.2	A new policy is created titled, "6A.3.1.2 Floodplain Policies." The following text is moved from Part A, Section 5.27: "Development in a Floodplain:
		a. All floodplains in the Township are subject to the 'one-zone concept' established by the Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority, which means that the entire floodplain is considered to be a floodway as defined by this Plan.
		<ul> <li>Buildings and structures are not permitted within the floodplain, except where written permission is obtained from the Nottawasaga Valley Conservation</li> </ul>

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		Authority."
		The following text is added:
		"c. Notwithstanding b., new development or redevelopment on an existing lot, or the extension of a lawfully existing use, may be permitted in the floodplain, but only in circumstances where:
	1	i. the use is one that, by its nature, must be located in the floodplain; and
		ii. the use will be protected by acceptable flood- proofing action or measures, subject to the approval of the Township and any conservation authorities having jurisdiction."
62.	6A.3.1.3	A new policy is created titled "6A.3.1.3 Steep Slopes, Unstable Soils and Erosion Hazards." The following text is moved from Part A, Section 5.27:
		"New development on and in close proximity to steep slopes and ravines, and within meander belts and areas susceptible to erosion shall not contribute significantly to the potential for, or have a significant potential to, sustain property damage or threaten human safety.
		Developments and site alterations on slopes in excess of 30 percent, as shown on Schedule B3 shall be strongly discouraged, unless they are considered essential and are supported by a detailed soils and slope stability study. Developments and site alterations on slopes between 15 and 30 percent, as shown on Schedule B3, shall generally be avoided. Where development is proposed on such areas, the Township, in consultation with the Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority, may require a soils and slope stability study.
		Such studies shall include recommendations for ensuring that hazards are appropriately addressed and mitigated, as well as recommended development set-backs from the top and/or toe of such slopes, erosion allowances and erosion access allowances, where required and warranted. Such studies shall be prepared and certified by qualified professionals and be acceptable to the Township and the Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority.
		All such recommendations shall be implemented and

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		enforced as conditions of development approvals.
		The crest or brow and toe of the slope or ravine shall be established on-site by qualified professionals retained by the development proponent, and approved by the Township and/or the Notlawasaga Valley Conservation Authority and/or where applicable, the Niagara Escarpment Commission. These lines shall be plotted on the development plans, and measured set-back distances to the proposed development shall be provided to demonstrate that minimum standard set-backs set out in the Zoning By-law, or lesser set-backs recommended in an approved engineering report have been met.
		Disturbances to the grades and vegetation below the crest or brow and above the toe shall be minimized. Enhancements to existing tree and vegetation cover to reduce erosion or improve slope stability may be required to mitigate potential impacts, as conditions of development approvals.
		Recommendations on measures to control erosion and sedimentation may also be required in any soils and slope stability report, and implemented and enforced as conditions of development approvals."
		The following changes are made to the above text:
		<ul> <li>In paragraph 2, both instances of "as shown on Schedule B3" are deleted</li> </ul>
	-	<ul> <li>In paragraphs 5 and 6, both instances of "crest or brow" are deleted and replaced with "top"</li> </ul>
63.	6A.3.1.4	A new policy is created titled "6A.3.1.4 Site Alteration on Steep Slopes with Uses Already Permitted." The following text is moved from Part A, Section 5.27:
	* 111.T	"Notwithstanding the above policies relating to steep slopes, site alterations on steep slopes associated with uses already permitted by this Plan, such as the alteration of existing ski slopes, are permitted and may be carried out in accordance with the conditions of approval (if any), and with current engineering and resource management best practices."
64.	6A.3.1.5	A new policy is created titled "6A.3.1.5 New Development on Steep Slopes." The following text is moved from Part A, Section 5.27:

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		Where development on steep slopes is supported by soils and slope stability studies satisfactory to the Township and the Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority, such developments may be permitted by site-specific amendment to the Zoning By-law, without an amendment to this Plan. Where development within a prescribed set-back is supported by soils and slope stability studies satisfactory to the Township and the Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority, such developments may be permitted by a Minor Variance.
		Proposals that result in a significant risk to human safety and/or of property damage as a result of soil or slope instability or failure, due to single, multiple or successive development or site alteration activities, shall not be permitted."
65.	6A.3.1.6	A new policy is created titled "6A.3.1.6 Wildfire Hazard." The following text is added: "Development shall be directed to areas outside of lands that are unsafe for development due to the presence of hazardous forest types for wildland fire as identified by the Province and shown on Appendix 3 to this Plan. Development may however be permitted where the risk is mitigated in accordance with wildland fire assessment and mitigation standards identified by the province."
66.	6A.3.1.7	A new policy is created titled "6A.3.1.7 Role of Conservation Authorities." The following text is added: "Conservation Authorities (CAs) are watershed-based
		resource management agencies, whose mandate includes responsibilities and functions in the land use planning and development process. Conservation Authorities ensure that decisions are informed by the best available watershed- science practices while eliminating unnecessary delay or duplication in the process. Generally, Conservation Authorities deliver programs and activities that help the Province and municipalities to reach the important natural

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		hazard objectives of the Provincial Policy Statement.
		Key Responsibilities of Conservation Authorities in Land Use Planning include:
		1. Delegated responsibility to represent provincial interest in natural hazards. Conservation Authorities have delegated responsibilities to represent provincial interests regarding Natural Hazards (Section 3.1 under Public Health and Safety made under the Provincial Policy Statement - excluding fire).
		2. Watershed-based resource management agency where Conservation Authorities, as "public bodies" pursuant to the Planning Act, are to be notified of policy documents, and planning and development applications as prescribed under the Act. Conservation Authorities may comment as per their mandate to the municipality/planning approval authority or these documents and applications.
		<ol> <li>Conservation Authorities as landowner, may become involved in the planning and development process, either as an adjacent landowner or a proponent.</li> </ol>
		4. Conservation Authorities may enter into agreements with federal and provincial ministries and municipalities to undertake delegated regulatory/approval responsibilities and/or reviews.
		5. Conservation Authorities as a regulatory body, participates in the review of development applications under the Planning Act. Conservation Authorities will ensure that the applicant and municipal planning authority are aware of the Section 28 regulations and requirements under the CA Act, as well as assist in the coordination of applications under the Planning Act and the Conservation Authorities Act to eliminate unnecessary delay or duplication in the process.
		For more information please go to the applicable website of the Conservation Authority."
67.	6A.3.1.8	A new policy is created titled "6A.3.1.8 Regulations and Policies of the Conservation Authority" The following text is moved from Part A, Section 5.29.1:
		"The Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority (referred to hereafter in this Section as "the Conservation Authority) is

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		the lead agency in regards to the protection of persons and property from natural hazards associated with hazardous areas and hazardous sites. The regulations and policies of the Conservation Authority relating to natural hazards shall be considered when evaluating development proposals.
		The Conservation Authority has been delegated the Provincial responsibility for the regulation of floodplains for defined watercourses (riverine systems) within the Township To address this delegation, the Conservation Authority has prepared regulations mapping, delineating areas subject to regulatory storm flooding and associated lands to be protected from the hazards of flooding, erosion and slope instability.
		The regulation mapping generally includes all valley and watercourse corridors and wetlands within the Township and includes portions of the drainage basins of the Pine (including Black Bank Creek), Boyne, Noisy and Mad Rivers as well as Lisle, Walker's, Tosorontio and Sheldon Creeks within the Township.
		The Conservation Authority Regulations were approved by the Minister of Natural Resources in 2006 (Ontario Regulation 172/06). Through the application and enforcement of the regulation, the Conservation Authority ensures that persons and property are protected from natura hazards. The regulations may also be used to assist the Township with the protection and conservation of valley and watercourse corridors, wetlands and fish habitat.
		Within the mapped areas, and in any other location where the text of the regulations describes other lands that are subject to the regulations, a permit is required for the following:
		<ul> <li>the construction, reconstruction, erection or placing of a building or structure of any kind;</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>changes that would alter the use, or potential use of a building or structure;</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>increase the size of a building or structure, or increase the number of dwelling units in the building or structure;</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>site grading;</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>the temporary or permanent placing, dumping or</li> </ul>

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		removal of any kind of material originating on the site or elsewhere;
		<ul> <li>the straightening, changing, or diverting or interfering with the existing channel of a river, creek, stream or watercourse; or</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>changing or interfering with a wetland.</li> </ul>
		Where a permit is required under Ontario Regulation 172/06, such a permit is a requirement under 'other applicable law', as defined under the Ontario Building Code Act. Consequently, a building permit shall not be issued for any building or structure requiring a permit from the Conservation Authority, or for any such building or structure requiring the installation of any essential supporting infrastructure requiring a permit, such as the construction of an access driveway or septic system, unless the required permit has first been obtained from the Conservation Authority.
		Where a <i>Planning Act</i> application has been made to the Township, the Township shall ensure that the Conservation Authority has been consulted with respect to the requirement for a permit for any development or site alteration, or any other aspect of the proposal requiring a permit from the Conservation Authority, prior to the approval of the application. The Township shall generally only approve such planning applications in circumstances where it is satisfied that the required permits are available."
		The following edits are made to the above text:
		<ul> <li>In paragraph 1, "The Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority (referred to hereafter in this Section as "the Conservation Authority) is the lead agency in regards to the protection of persons and property from natural hazards associated with hazardous areas and hazardous sites." is deleted</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>In paragraph 4, the existing text is deleted and replaced with "The Conservation Authority's regulation limit and mapping of hazards and associated allowances are mapped on Appendix 2 to this Plan."</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>In paragraph 5, following "text of the," "Conservation Authority" is added</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>In paragraph 6, following "required under," the</li> </ul>

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		Conservation Authority's" is added		
		<ul> <li>In paragraph 6, "172/06" is deleted</li> </ul>		
68.	6A.3.1.9	A new policy is created titled "6A.3.1.9 Other Conservation Authority Policies and Programs". The following text is moved from Part A, Section 5.29.2:		
		The Conservation Authority has prepared watershed plans and watershed-level strategies relating to its broad mandate under the <i>Conservation Authorities Act</i> , which includes the "conservation of land". Other policies of the Conservation Authority may therefore also have application in the Township.		
		The Conservation Authority may also provide comments and recommendations to the Township on <i>Planning Act</i> applications, relating to such other matters as the conservation of natural heritage features (such as woodlands, wildlife habitat, ANSIs, etc.), groundwater recharge/discharge areas, stormwater management, etc. Unless otherwise provided for in this Plan, and/or in a services agreement between the Township and the Conservation Authority, such comments are to be taken as advisory, and considered by the Township in relation to the relative merits of economic, social and other implications, and other goals, objectives, policies and requirements of the Township, as generally outlined in this Plan, as well as those of other commenting agencies and approval authorities.		
		The roles and responsibilities of the Conservation Authority, as an advisory agency to the Township, may be further defined in a services agreement.		
		Beyond the regulated areas of the Conservation Authority, the Township may use its discretion when seeking advice and assistance on some such matters. In these cases, the Township may opt to rely on the expertise of qualified staff, consultants, and/or the approval authority through the One- Window Provincial Planning Service.		
		The Township may, at its discretion, consult and cooperate, or collaborate with the Conservation Authority and/or the		

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<ul> <li>Ministry of Natural Resources, on programs and projects designed to:</li> <li>define the physical limits of valleylands and stream corridors including associated natural hazards such as flooding, erosion, meander belts and slopes, and establish policies and requirements such as allowances and set-backs to ensure the protection of persons and property;</li> <li>establish criteria for, and identify and delineate important natural heritage features, functions and linkages, and develop and implement policies, programs and projects to protect, restore and/or enhance the natural heritage system, functions and linkages in the Township;</li> <li>develop policies for the protection of source water areas and water supplies;</li> <li>participate in the preparation and implementation of watershed, sub-watershed and environmental studies, and;</li> <li>acquire and/or manage land for conservation and recreation purposes as part of an overall natural heritage and recreation open space system within, or within and beyond the Township;</li> <li>The following edits are made to the above text:</li> <li>In the first paragraph, after "Conservation Authorities Act" delete ", which includes the 'conservation of land".</li> <li>In the second paragraph, after "<u>Planning Act applications</u>" delete ", relating to such other matters as the conservation of natural heritage features (such as woodlands wildlife habitat, ANSIs, etc.), groundwater recharge/discharge areas, stormwater management, etc".</li> </ul>

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-		Resources" and replace with "Province".			
	100	<ul> <li>Delete second bullet in list provided as part of fifth paragraph.</li> </ul>			
69. 6A.3.2		A new policy is created titled "6A.3.2 Human-Made Hazards." The following text is moved from Part A, Section 5 "Development on, abutting or adjacent to lands affected by human made hazards, including but not limited to such potential hazards as pollution and contamination, toxic wastes, leachate, gas migration, abandoned wells, minera aggregate, or mineral extraction or mining operations may be permitted only if rehabilitation measures to address and mitigate known or suspected hazards are underway or have been completed. Contaminated sites shall be remediated as necessary prior to any activity on the site associated with the proposed use such that there will be no adverse effects."			
70.	6.3.1	<ul> <li>The existing text is edited as follows:</li> <li>In policy 1, "the" is added following "protected for "use" is deleted.</li> <li>In policy 2, the "s" is deleted from "development "site alteration," is added following "development"</li> </ul>			
71.	6.3.2	Policy 2 is deleted.			
72.	6.3.4	The existing text is edited as follows:			
		<ul> <li>In paragraph 2, "significant" is deleted.</li> </ul>			
		<ul> <li>In paragraph 2, the word "species" is added following "endangered."</li> </ul>			
		<ul> <li>In the bulleted list of paragraph 3, "including Sections 5.18 to 5.37 in particular," is deleted.</li> </ul>			
		<ul> <li>In paragraph 8, after "Schedules B2" insert "to B4"</li> </ul>			
		<ul> <li>In paragraph 8, "B3" is deleted and replaced with "Appendix 2."</li> </ul>			
	_	<ul> <li>The sentence "All areas shown on Schedule B1 and most of the areas identified on Schedules B2 and B3 are within the regulatory control limits of the Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority." is</li> </ul>			

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		deleted from paragraph 9	
		<ul> <li>In paragraph 10, the comma is deleted after B1 and replaced with "to B4" and "B2 and B3" is deleted.</li> </ul>	
		<ul> <li>In paragraph 10, the letter "s" is deleted from "Sections" and "18 to 24" is deleted and replaced with 6A.1.</li> </ul>	
		<ul> <li>In paragraph 14, the comma is deleted after B1 and replaced with "to B4" and "B2 and B3" is deleted.</li> </ul>	
		<ul> <li>In paragraph 14, "be minimal and acceptable, and/or adequately mitigated, and/or balanced by appropriate compensatory measures undertaken elsewhere on the same lot" is deleted and replaced with "be in accordance with policies in Section 6A.1 of this Plan."</li> </ul>	
73.	6.3.5	The existing text is edited as follows:	
		<ul> <li>In paragraph 3, "through an Office Consolidation of this Plan" is added following "purpose(s)."</li> <li>In paragraph 4, "each municipal comprehensive review" is deleted and replaced with "an Office Consolidation of this Plan."</li> </ul>	
74.	8.4.A.8	In paragraph 3 of policy d), "5.19.1" is deleted and replaced with "6A.2.1"	
75.	9.0.3	<ul> <li>The existing text is edited as follows:</li> <li>In paragraph 1, "significant renewable and non-renewable natural resources is" is deleted and replaced with "mineral aggregate resources are"</li> <li>In paragraph 1, "B4 and C" is deleted and replaced</li> </ul>	
		with "B5"	
		<ul> <li>"Where the location and extent of renewable and non- renewable natural resources are known, they are identified on Schedule B4 and C." is deleted from paragraph 2.</li> </ul>	
		<ul> <li>Following paragraph 3, the following text is moved from Part A, Section 5.32—"Only those areas where resource uses are actually occurring are identified within the appropriate land use designations on</li> </ul>	

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NO.	Number	Schedule A1 to this Plan. Except where such proposals are exempt from municipal regulatory authority pursuant to Provincial statutes or regulations, all new proposals and the expansion of existing operations beyond the limits shown on Schedule A1, shall require an amendment to this Plan."		
76.	9.0.4	<ul> <li>The existing text is edited as follows:</li> <li>In paragraph 2, the "s" in "Schedules" is deleted.</li> <li>In paragraph 2, "B4 and C" is deleted and replaced with "B5".</li> </ul>		
77.	9.1	<ul> <li>The following text is moved to this policy from Part A, Section 5.32:</li> <li>"Non-renewable resources, including mineral aggregate, shall be protected for long term use.</li> <li>Mineral Aggregate Resource Areas are those identified on Schedule B4. Except as provided in the following paragraph, prior to considering proposals for development within Mineral Aggregate Resource Areas, the Township shall be satisfied that the development of these lands for non-aggregate purposes will not adversely impact the availability of aggregate resources in the Township and the County.</li> </ul>		
		Within the Niagara Escarpment Plan Area, only lands designated Escarpment Rural may be considered for new aggregate extraction uses, and then only by amendment to the Niagara Escarpment Plan and this Plan. Aggregate extraction operations and uses are not permitted on lands designated Escarpment Protection and Escarpment Natural in the Niagara Escarpment Plan. The application of the above provisions shall therefore be limited to ensuring that the implications of new development on Mineral Aggregate Resource Areas and on existing or potential aggregate operations and uses must be considered in areas designated Escarpment Rural while, on lands designated Escarpment Protection or Escarpment Natural, only the implications of new development on existing or potential aggregate operations and uses on adjacent lands in close proximity where aggregate extraction may be permitted (designated Escarpment Rural or in another designation outside of the		

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		Niagara Escarpment Plan Area), need be considered."		
	1	The following edits are made to the above text:		
		<ul> <li>In paragraph 1, "resources" is added after "aggregate."</li> </ul>		
		<ul> <li>In paragraph 2, "which include significant sand and gravel resources and bedrock mineral aggregate resources areas" is added after "Schedule B4,"</li> </ul>		
		<ul> <li>In paragraph 2, "Schedule B4" is deleted and replaced with "Schedule B5"</li> </ul>		
78.	9.1.1	In paragraph 1, "Schedule B4" is deleted and replaced with "Schedule B5"		
79.	9.1.2	The existing text is edited as follows:		
		<ul> <li>From paragraph 4, "promoted" is deleted and replaced with "undertaken."</li> <li>"these" is deleted from paragraph 4.</li> <li>"and through the use of accessory aggregate recycling facilities within operations," is added following "resources," in paragraph 4.</li> </ul>		
80.	9.1.2.2	The following clause is added after "Schedule B4": "which includes significant sand and gravel resources and bedrock mineral aggregate resources areas. An amendment to this Plan is required for the establishment of all new pits and quarries Delete "Schedule B4" and replace with "Schedule B5"		
81.	11.7	In policy h) delete "in Section 5.18"		
82.	12.5	In paragraph 5, "written approval is obtained from these agencies, where applicable" is deleted and replaced with "the revised boundary has been established through an ecological site assessment and/or an Environment Impact Statement."		
83.	12.12	A new policy is added titled "12.12 Environmental Impact Statement Implementation." The text is as follows:		
		"Where an Environmental Impact Statement has determined that the boundaries of a Natural Areas designation or the		

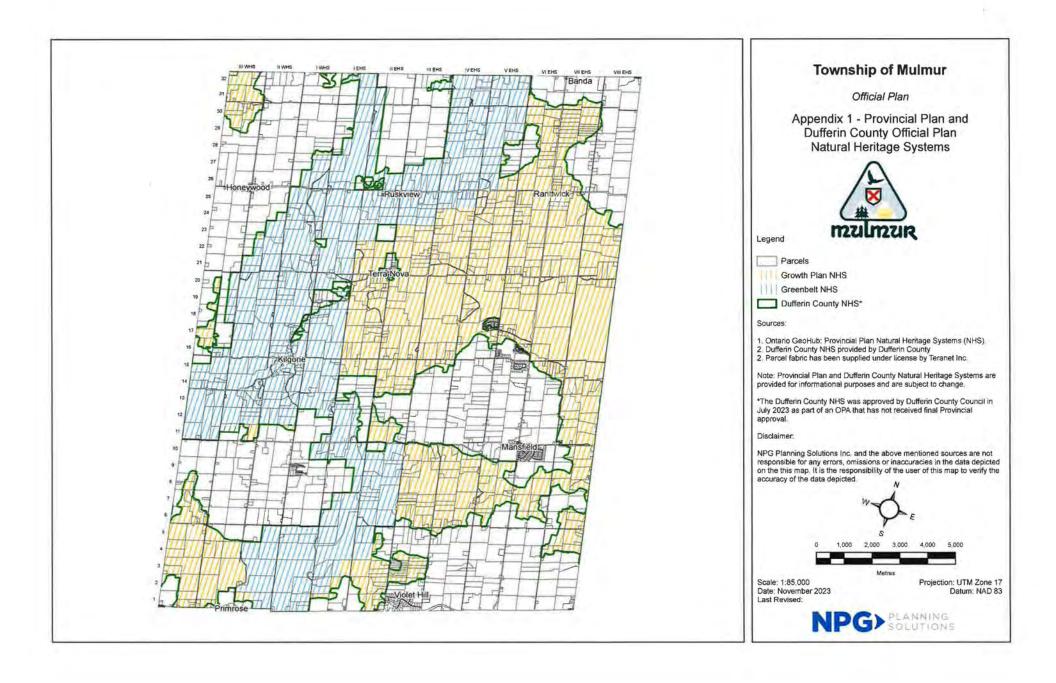
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		overlay are appropriate to be refined, the boundary shall be refined without an Amendment to this Plan."		
84.	N/A	The following definition is deleted after "Domestic Purposes":		
		"Ecological Function means the natural processes products or services that living and non-living environments provide or perform within or between species, ecosystems and landscapes. These may include biological, physical and socio-economic interactions. (PPS 2020)"		
85.	N/A	The following definition is moved from after "Essential Emergency Services" and inserted after "Domestic Purposes":		
		"Ecological Function means the natural processes products or services that living and non-living environments provide or perform within or between species, ecosystems and landscapes, including hydrologic functions and biological, physical, chemical and socio-economic interactions. (Greenbelt Plan) (APTG2020)"		
86.		The following definition is added after "Environmenta Monitoring": Erosion hazard: means the loss of land, due to human or natural processes, that poses a threat to life and property. The erosion hazard limit is determined using considerations that include the 100 year erosion rate (the average annual rate of recession extended over a one hundred year time span), an allowance for slope stability, and an erosion/erosion access allowance (PPS 2020).		
87.	N/A	The following definition is added after "Heritage Property": <b>Highly Vulnerable Aquifer</b> are aquifers — highly saturated underground areas whose water can be drawn for human use — that are particularly susceptible to contamination, either because of their proximity to the surface or because of the characteristics of the materials underground that make up and surround the aquifer (derived from Source Protection Plan).		
88.	N/A	The definition for "Significant Groundwater Recharge Area is deleted and replaced with: Significant Groundwater Recharge Areas ("SGRAs") are		

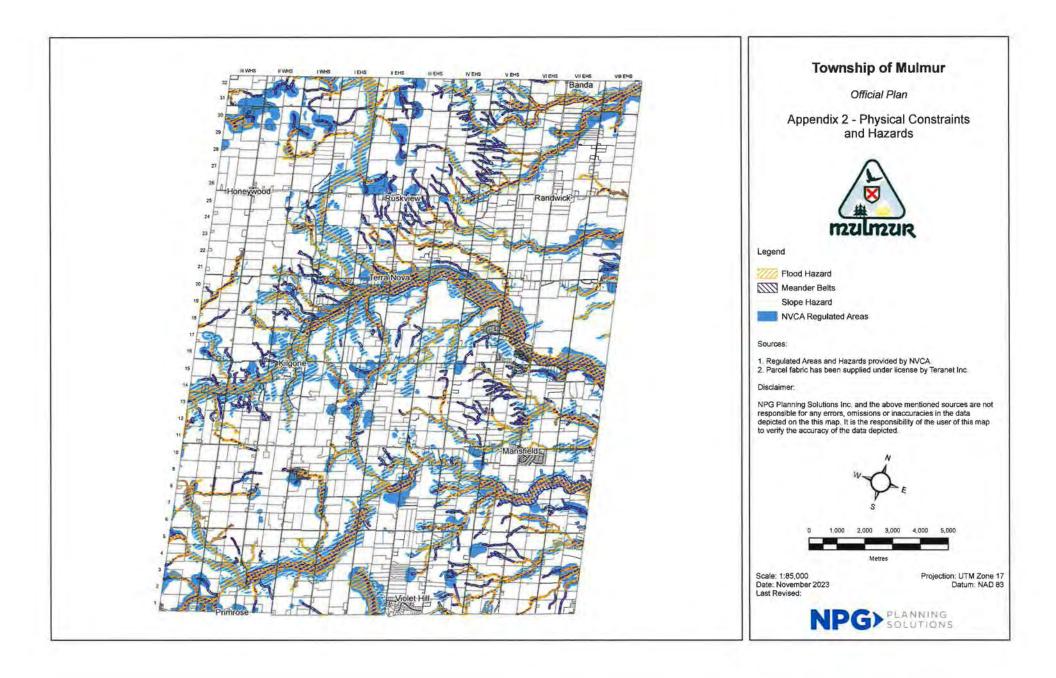
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NO.	Number	areas where the land is characterized by porous soils that allow water to seep easily into the ground and subsequently flow to an aquifer. The term "significant" indicates that the recharge area helps maintain water levels in an aquifer that supplies drinking water for a community (Derived from Source Protection Plan).		
89.	N/A	<ul> <li>The following definitions are added after "Significant Surface Water Contribution Areas":</li> <li>"Significant Wetland A wetland that has been identified as provincially significant by the Province. (Based on PPS, 2020 and modified for this Plan)</li> <li>Significant Wildlife Habitat A wildlife habitat that is ecologically important in terms of features, functions, representation or amount, and contributing to the quality and diversity of an identifiable geographic area or natural heritage system. These are to be identified using criteria</li> </ul>		
		established by the Province. (Based on PPS, 2020) <b>Significant Woodland</b> A woodland which is ecologically important in terms of features such as species composition, age of trees and stand history; functionally important due to its contribution to the broader landscape because of its location, size or due to the amount of forest cover in the planning area; or economically important due to site quality, species composition, or past management history. These are to be identified using criteria established by the Province. (Based on PPS, 2020 and modified for this Plan)		
		<b>Significant Valleyland</b> A valleyland which is ecologically important in terms of features, functions, representation or amount, and contributing to the quality and diversity of an identifiable geographic area or natural heritage system. These are to be identified using criteria established by the Province. (Based on PPS, 2020 and modified for this Plan)"		
90.	N/A	The following definition is added after "Watershed Planning": Wellhead Protection Areas ("WHPAs") are land areas surrounding municipal wells. There are five categories of WHPA, denoted "A" through "E": the WHPA-A area is defined as the area within a 100-metre radius of the well, while the WHPA-B, WHPA-C, and WHPAD areas are		

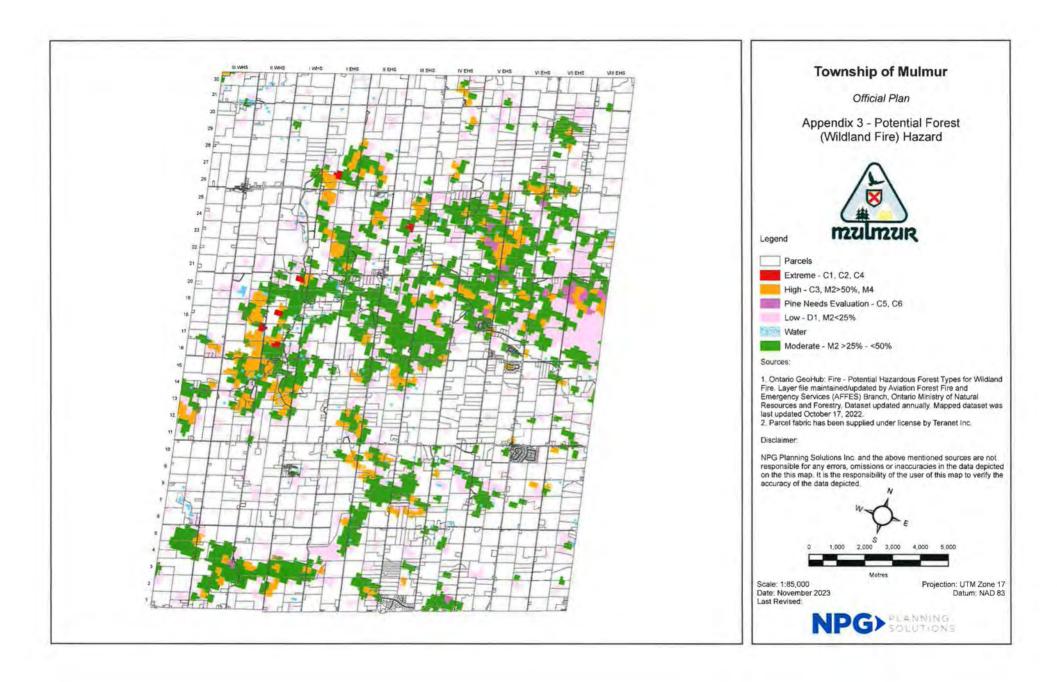
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		determined based on the number of years in takes for water to travel underground to the well (two years for WHPA-B, five years for WHPA-C, and 25 years for WHPA-D). The WHPA- E area represents the vulnerable area for groundwater well supplies that are under the direct influence of surface water (derived from Source Protection Plan).		

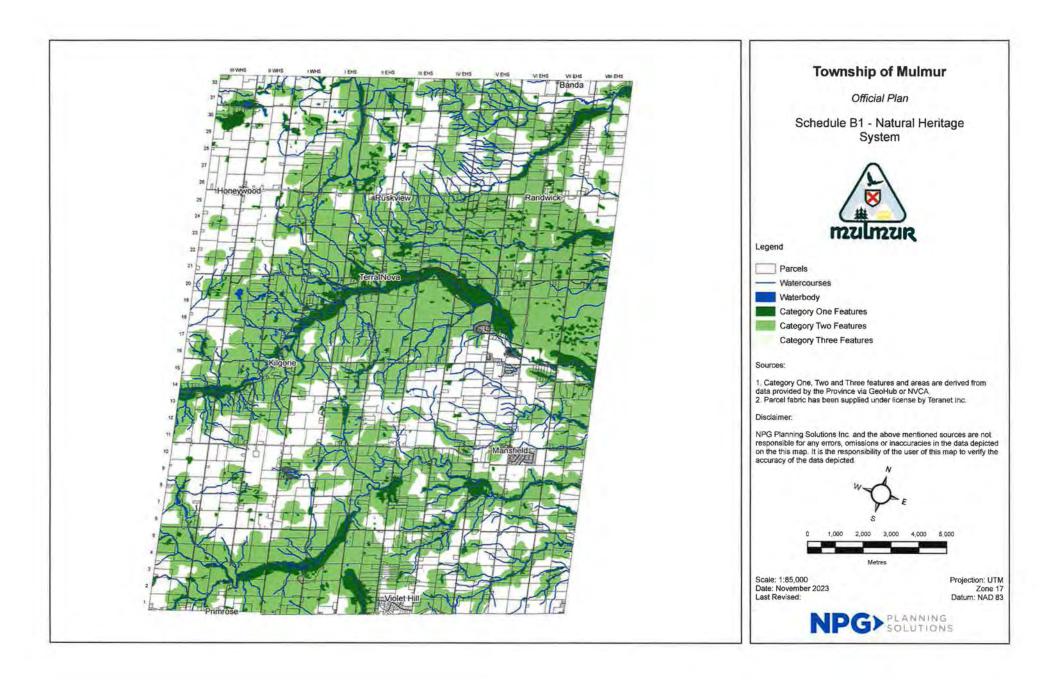
# 6.0 Table B - Schedule Amendments

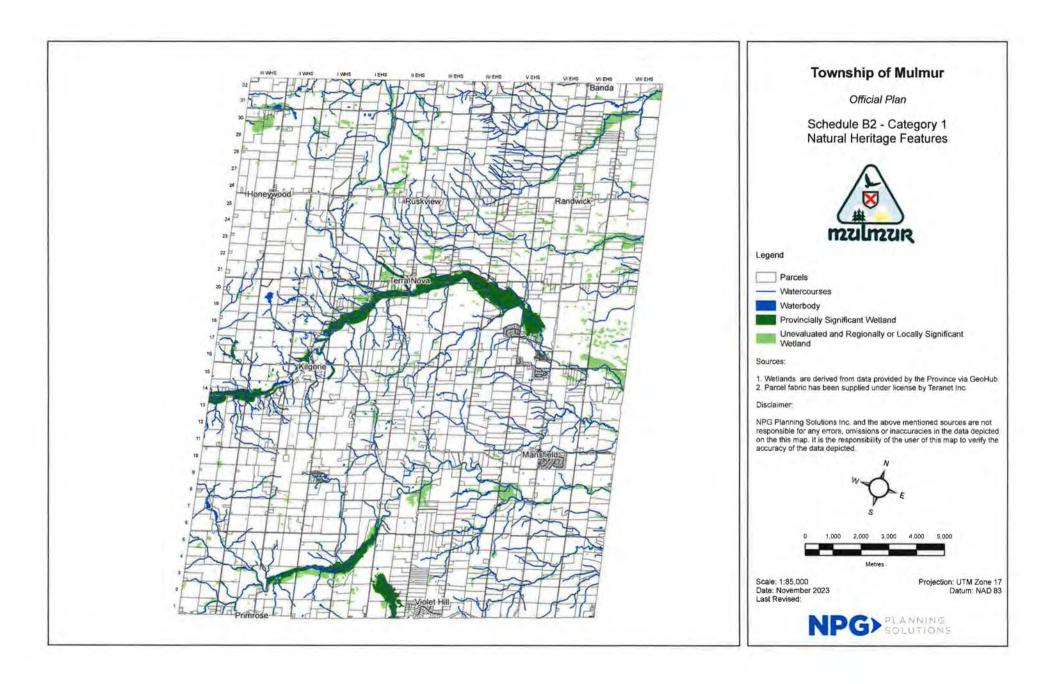
Item         Policy           No.         Number           91.         Schedule B1		Details of the Amendment           Existing Schedule B1 is deleted and replaced with new schedule "Natural Heritage System" to identify the Township's Natural Heritage System.		
93.	Schedule B3	Existing Schedule B3 is deleted and replaced with new schedule "Category 2 Natural Heritage Features" to identify features and areas in accordance with Policy 6A.1.1 in this Plan.		
94.	Schedule B4	Existing Schedule B4 is deleted and replaced with new schedule "Category 3 Natural Heritage Features" to identify features and areas in accordance with Policy 6A.1.1 in this Plan.		
95.	Schedule B5	Create new schedule "Natural Resources" to identify Significant Sand and Gravel Resources and Bedrock Min Aggregate Resource Areas.		
96.	Appendix 1	Create new appendix "Provincial Plan and Dufferin County Official Plan Natural Heritage Systems" to identify for information purposes the Natural Heritage System boundaries identified as per other plans that apply to the Township.		
97.	Appendix 2	Create new appendix "Physical Constraints and Hazards" identify the Conservation Authority Regulated Areas and other delineated hazards.		
98.	Appendix 3	Create new appendix "Potential Forest (Wildland Fire) Hazard"		
99.	Appendix 4	Existing Appendix A is deleted and replaced with new appendix "Complete Application"		

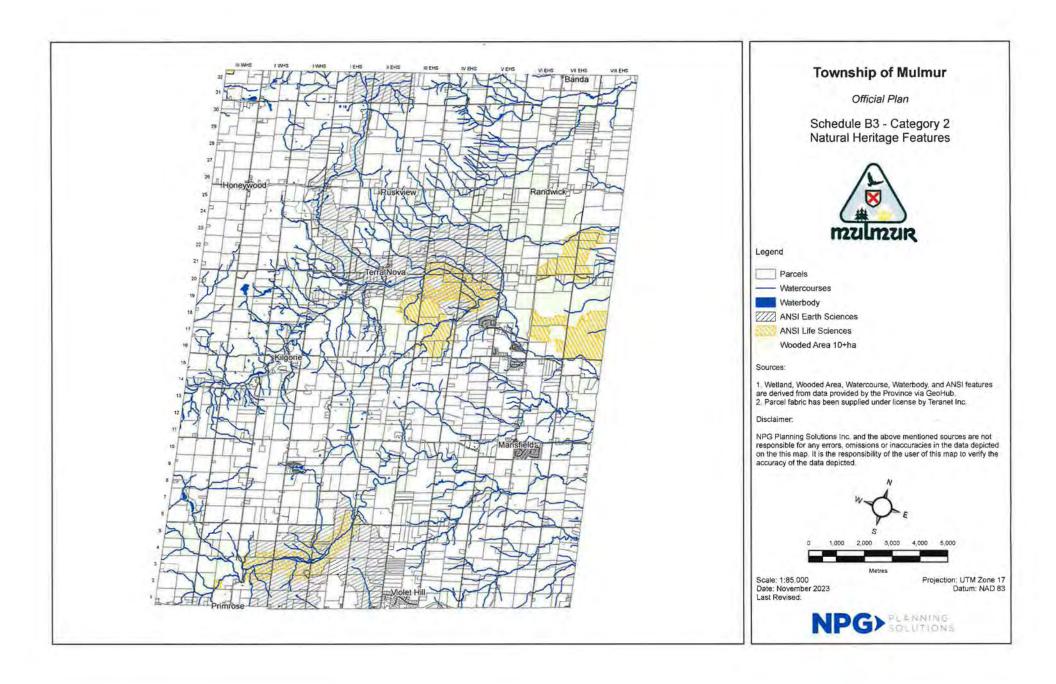


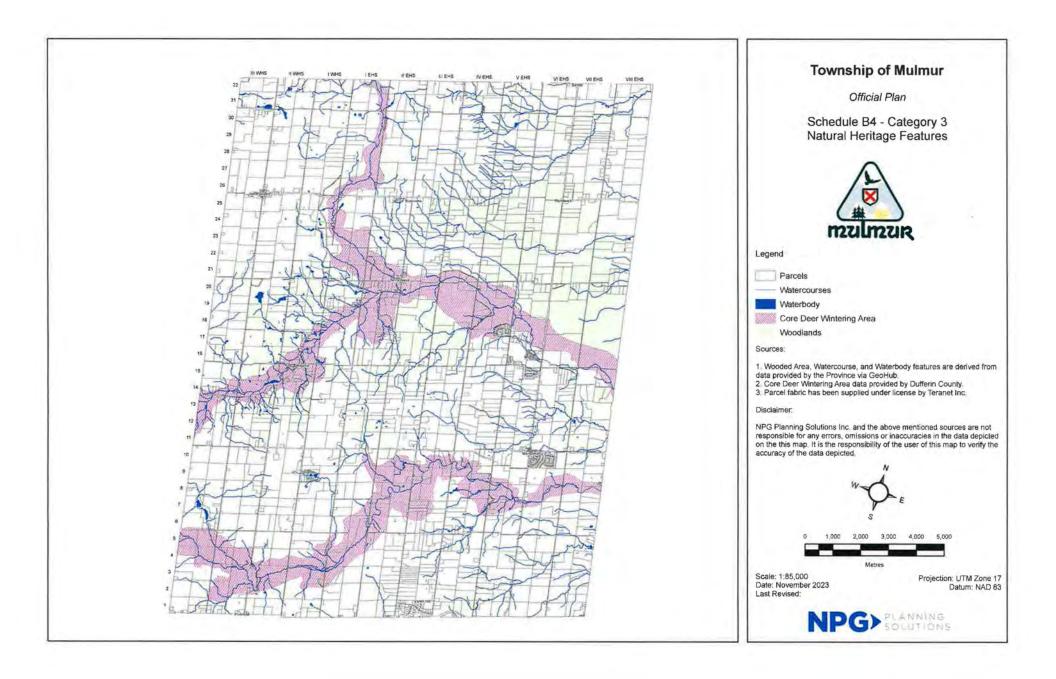




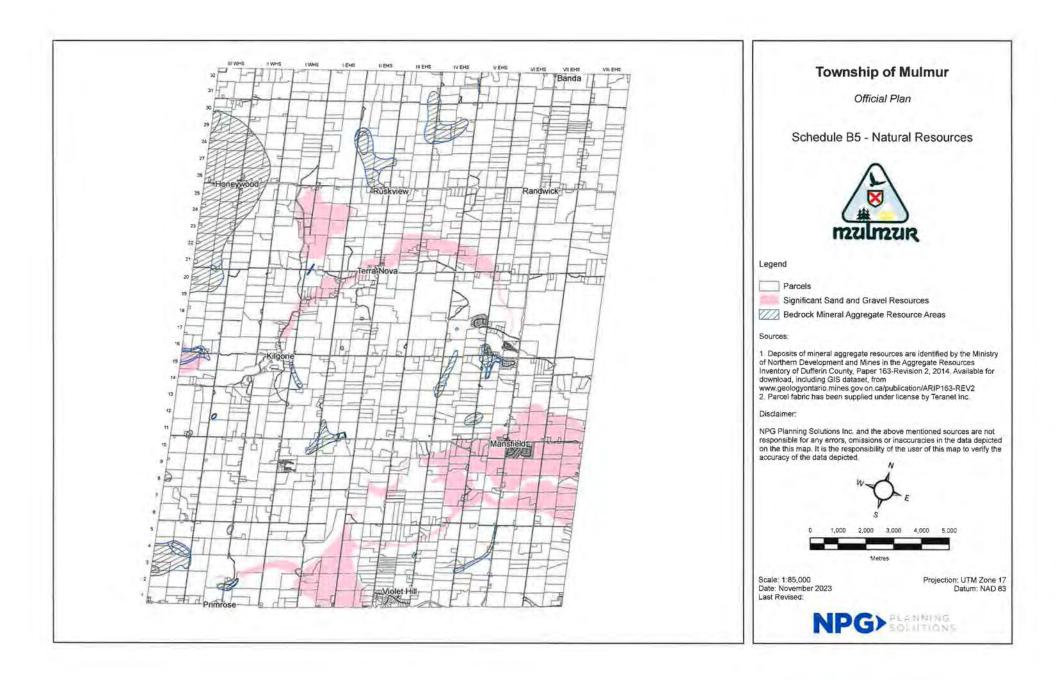








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Report To: Warden White and Members of County Council

Meeting Date: April 11, 2024

# Subject: Monthly Update from Outside Boards

From: Sonya Pritchard, Chief Administrative Officer

# Recommendation

THAT the report of the Chief Administrative Officer, dated April 11, 2024, with respect to Reports from Outside Boards, be received.

# **Executive Summary**

This report outlines updates of activities from outside boards and agencies in which there is Dufferin County representative. This report is for information purposes.

#### **Background & Discussion**

# Wellington Dufferin Guelph Public Health (WDGPH)

Representative(s): Councillor Guy Gardhouse and Ralph Manktelow Meeting date: April 3, 2024

Highlights: Public Health is mandated to report any publicly funded vaccine deemed as wastage to the Ministry of Health. The overall wastage, in 2023, for all vaccines returned to OGP (Ontario Government Pharmacy) by WDGPH was 3.1% and valued at \$255,225.19. This is a decrease of 5.3% from 2022. Many returns were received in 2022 because vaccine returns were not accepted in 2021 during the COVID pandemic response.

Attached: Board of Health Agenda for April 3, 2024

# Niagara Escarpment Commission (NEC)

Representative(s): Councillor Gail Little Meeting date: March 21, 2024 Highlights: The Commission was presented with 2 development permit application in the County of Grey.

Attached: Commission Meeting Agenda – March 2024

# **Dufferin Board of Trade (DBOT)**

Representative(s): Councillor Gail Little

Highlights: Dufferin Board of Trade will be hosting the 2024 Business Excellence Awards in mid-May. Nominations are now open for the following categories:

- Business of the Year
- Inclusivity Champion Award
- Responsible Business Award
- Innovation Award
- Community Builder Award
- Businessperson of the Year Award

Attached: 2024 Business Excellence Award Information

#### Headwaters Communities in Action (HCIA)

Representative(s): Councillor Philip Rentsch

Highlights: Jennifer Payne, Executive Director and Neetu Dane, Treasurer attended the March 28, 2024 General Government Services committee meeting to present the Community Grants Program assessment report.

#### Western Ontario Wardens' Caucus (WOWC)

Representative(s): Warden Darren White, Chief Administrative Officer Sonya Pritchard

Highlights: The Western Ontario Wardens' Caucus sent out a press release on March 11, 2024 regarding the announcement by Minister Todd Smith (Energy) with respect to the Keeping Energy Costs Down Act, 2024. This legislation is critical to the long-term viability and success of Western Ontario and will aim to keep construction costs down while providing a pragmatic approach towards a net zero energy system in Ontario. This legislation will ensure that stakeholder engagement is increased and that regulatory decisions will incorporate practical considerations supporting economic and social outcomes.

Attached: Western Ontario Wardens' Caucus March 2024 Newsletter

#### **SWIFT Board of Directors**

Representative(s): Councillor Chris Gerrits

### Financial, Staffing, Legal, or IT Considerations

There are no financial, staffing, legal or IT considerations.

# In Support of Strategic Plan Priorities and Objectives

**Good Governance** – ensure transparency, clear communication, prudent financial management **Inclusive & Supportive Community** – support efforts to address current & future needs for a livable community

Respectfully Submitted By:

Sonya Pritchard Chief Administrative Officer

#### COUNCIL RESOLUTION



No. 08

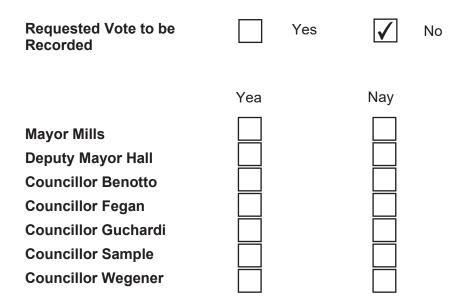
**Date:** 3/25/24

Moved: Councillor Benotto

Seconded by: Councillor Wegener

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council of the Town of Shelburne encourages all levels of government to eradicate all forms of racism especially Islamophobia and antisemitism, and that this motion be sent to our MP and MPP and all municipalities.

#### CARRIED, W. Mills



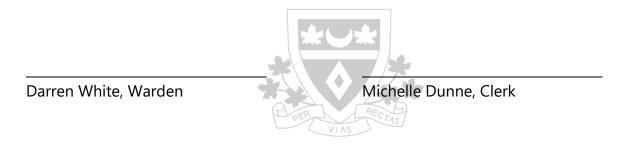
# BY-LAW NUMBER 2024-16

A BY-LAW TO RATIFY THE ACTIONS OF THE WARDEN AND THE CLERK FOR EXECUTING AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CORPORATION OF THE COUNTY OF DUFFERIN AND GEORGIAN COLLEGE OF APPLIED ARTS AND TECHNOLOGY. (Lease Agreement – Mel Lloyd Centre)

BE IT ENACTED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE COUNTY OF DUFFERIN AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. That the agreement between the County of Dufferin and Georgian College of Applied Arts & Technology, in a form substantially the same as attached hereto as Schedule "A" be approved.
- 2. That the staff of the County of Dufferin is hereby authorized to take such actions as are appropriate, and the Warden and Clerk are herby authorized to execute such documents as are appropriate to implement the agreement referred to herein.

READ a first, second and third time and finally passed this 11<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2024.



For a complete copy of the lease, please contact the Clerk's department.

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Lease Agreement No. MLC49003

**THIS LEASE** made the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2024.

BETWEEN:

# CORPORATION OF THE COUNTY OF DUFFERIN

(the "Landlord")

AND

# **GEORGIAN COLLEGE OF APPLIED ARTS & TECHNOLOGY**

(the "Tenant")

# **ARTICLE 1 - BASIC TERMS AND DEFINITIONS**

# 1.1 Basic Terms

(a)	Landlord:	Corporation of the County of Dufferin	
	Address:	55 Zina Street, Orangeville, ON	
(b)	Tenant:	Georgian College of Applied Arts & Technology	
	Address:	One Georgian Drive, Barrie, ON L4M 3X9	
(c)	Indemnifier:	Not applicable	
(d)	Building:	Mel Lloyd Centre, 167 Centre Street, Shelburne, ON	
(e)	Premises:	Located within or near Dufferin Employment Resource Centre as described in Section 1.2 (m)	
(f)	Rentable Area of Premises:	100 square feet, subject to Section 2.2	
(g)	Term:	One year subject to Section 2.3	

Commencement Date:April 1, 2024, subject to Section 2.4End of Term:March 31, 2025, subject to Sections 2.3, 2.4 and 12.13

(h) Basic Gross Rent (Section 3.2): \$18.82

Period	Per Sq. Ft/year	Per year	Per Month
April 1, 2024 to March 31, 2025	\$18.82	\$1,882.00+HST	\$156.83 +HST

- (i) Permitted Use: Administrative and business offices of the Tenant
- (j) Deposit: Not applicable
- (k) Rent Deposit: Not applicable
- (1) Security Deposit: Not applicable
- (m) Lease Year: Lease Year ends on March 31 of each year

Schedules forming part of this Lease:

- i. Schedule "A" Legal Description
- ii. Schedule "B" Floor Plan
- iii. Schedule "C" Rules and Regulations

# BY-LAW NUMBER 2024-17

A BY-LAW TO RATIFY THE ACTIONS OF THE WARDEN AND THE CLERK FOR EXECUTING AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CORPORATION OF THE COUNTY OF DUFFERIN AND ONTARIO HEALTH. (Long Term Care Homes Service Accountability Agreement Extension)

BE IT ENACTED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE COUNTY OF DUFFERIN AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. That the agreement between the County of Dufferin and Ontario Health, in a form substantially the same as attached hereto as Schedule "A" be approved.
- 2. That the staff of the County of Dufferin is hereby authorized to take such actions as are appropriate, and the Warden and Clerk are herby authorized to execute such documents as are appropriate to implement the agreement referred to herein.

READ a first, second and third time and finally passed this 11<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2024.





March 11, 2024

Ms. Brenda Wagner Administrator Corporation of the County of Dufferin - Dufferin Oaks Home for Senior Citizens 55 Zina Street Orangeville, ON L9W 1E5 bwagner@dufferincounty.ca

DELIVERED ELECTRONICALLY

Dear Ms. Wagner:

Re: CCA s. 22 Notice and Extension of Long-Term Care Home Service Accountability Agreement ("Extending Letter")

The Connecting Care Act, 2019 ("CCA") requires Ontario Health ("OH") to notify a health service provider when OH proposes to enter into, or amend, a service accountability agreement with that health service provider.

OH hereby gives notice and advises Corporation of the County of Dufferin - Dufferin Oaks Home for Senior Citizens (the "HSP") of OH's proposal to amend each long-term care home service accountability agreement (as described in the CCA) currently in effect between OH and the HSP (each "SAA").

Subject to the HSP's acceptance of this Extending Letter, each SAA will be amended with effect on March 31, 2024 as set out below. All other terms and conditions of each SAA will remain in full force and effect.

The terms and conditions in each SAA are amended as follows:

- 1) Term In section 2.1, "March 31, 2024" is deleted and replaced by "March 31, 2025".
- Schedules The Schedules in effect on March 31, 2024 shall remain in effect until March 31, 2025, or until such other time as may be agreed to in writing by OH and the HSP.

Unless otherwise defined in this letter, all capitalized terms used in this letter have the meanings set out in each SAA.

Please indicate the HSP's acceptance and agreement to the amendments described in this Extending Letter by signing below and returning one scanned copy of this letter by e-mail no later than the end of business day on March 28, 2024 to: <u>OH-</u><u>Central.Funding@ontariohealth.ca</u>.

The HSP and OH agree that the Extending Letter may be validly executed electronically, and that their respective electronic signature is the legal equivalent of a manual signature.

Should you have any questions regarding the information provided in this Extending Letter, please contact Mirella Semple, Manager, Performance, Accountability and Funding Allocation at <u>Mirella.Semple@OntarioHealth.ca</u>.

Sincerely,

Susan degk

Susan deRyk Chief Regional Officer Ontario Health Central and West Regions

c. Jeff Kwan, Vice President, Performance, Accountability and Funding Allocation, Ontario Health Central Region

Signature page follows

## AGREED TO AND ACCEPTED BY

Corporation of the County of Dufferin

By:

Original signed by:

Darren White, Warden I have authority to bind the health service provider. Date: mm/dd/yyyy

And By:

Original signed by:

Michelle Dunne, Clerk I have authority to bind the health service provider. Date: mm/dd/yyyy

# BY-LAW NUMBER 2024-18

A BY-LAW TO RATIFY THE ACTIONS OF THE WARDEN AND THE CLERK FOR EXECUTING AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CORPORATION OF THE COUNTY OF DUFFERIN AND ONTARIO HEALTH. (Multi-Sector Service Accountability Agreement Extension)

BE IT ENACTED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE COUNTY OF DUFFERIN AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. That the agreement between the County of Dufferin and Ontario Health, in a form substantially the same as attached hereto as Schedule "A" be approved.
- 2. That the staff of the County of Dufferin is hereby authorized to take such actions as are appropriate, and the Warden and Clerk are herby authorized to execute such documents as are appropriate to implement the agreement referred to herein.

READ a first, second and third time and finally passed this 11<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2024.





March 11, 2024

Mr. Kurtis Krepps Manager Corporation of the County of Dufferin 55 Zina Street Orangeville, ON L9W 1E5 kkrepps@dufferincounty.ca

#### DELIVERED ELECTRONICALLY

Dear Mr.Krepps:

# Re: CCA s. 22 Notice and Extension of Multi-Sector Service Accountability Agreement ("Extending Letter")

The *Connecting Care Act, 2019* ("CCA") requires Ontario Health ("OH") to notify a health service provider when OH proposes to enter into, or amend, a service accountability agreement with that health service provider.

OH hereby gives notice and advises Corporation of the County of Dufferin (the "HSP") of OH's proposal to amend each multi-sector service accountability agreement (as described in the CCA) currently in effect between OH and the HSP (each "SAA").

Subject to the HSP's acceptance of this Extending Letter, each SAA will be amended with effect on March 31, 2024 as set out below. All other terms and conditions of each SAA will remain in full force and effect.

The terms and conditions in each SAA are amended as follows:

- 1) Term In section 2.1, "March 31, 2024" is deleted and replaced by "March 31, 2025".
- 2) **Schedules** The Schedules in effect on March 31, 2024 shall remain in effect until March 31, 2025, or until such other time as may be agreed to in writing by OH and the HSP.

Unless otherwise defined in this letter, all capitalized terms used in this letter have the meanings set out in each SAA.

Please indicate the HSP's acceptance and agreement to the amendments described in this Extending Letter by signing below and returning one scanned copy of this letter by e-mail no later than the end of business day on March 28, 2024 to: <u>OH-Central.Funding@ontariohealth.ca</u>.

The HSP and OH agree that the Extending Letter may be validly executed electronically, and that their respective electronic signature is the legal equivalent of a manual signature.

Should you have any questions regarding the information provided in this Extending Letter, please contact Allan Marion, Manager, Performance, Accountability & Funding Allocation at <u>Allan.Marion@ontariohealth.ca</u>

Sincerely,

Susan de Ryk

Susan deRyk Chief Regional Officer Ontario Health Central and West Regions

- c. Jeff Kwan, Vice President, Performance, Accountability and Funding Allocation, Ontario Health Central
- c. Darren White, Warden, Corporation of the County of Dufferin

Signature page follows

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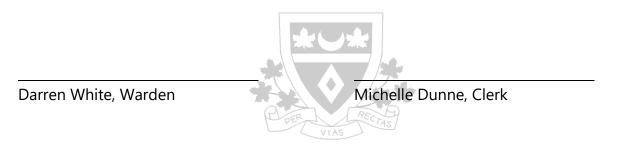
# BY-LAW NUMBER 2024-19

A BY-LAW TO RATIFY THE ACTIONS OF THE WARDEN AND THE CLERK FOR EXECUTING AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CORPORATION OF THE COUNTY OF DUFFERIN AND HIS MAJESTY THE KING IN RIGHT OF ONTARIO AS REPRESENTED BY THE SOLICITOR GENERAL. (Court Security & Prisoner Transport Transfer Payment Agreement)

BE IT ENACTED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE COUNTY OF DUFFERIN AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. That the agreement between the County of Dufferin and His Majesty the King in right of Ontario as represented by the Solicitor General, in a form substantially the same as attached hereto as Schedule "A" be approved.
- 2. That the staff of the County of Dufferin is hereby authorized to take such actions as are appropriate, and the Warden and Clerk are herby authorized to execute such documents as are appropriate to implement the agreement referred to herein.

READ a first, second and third time and finally passed this 11<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2024.



For a complete copy of the agreement, please contact the Clerk's department.

#### ONTARIO TRANSFER PAYMENT AGREEMENT

THE AGREEMENT is effective as of the 1st day of January, 2024

BETWEEN:

His Majesty the King in right of Ontario as represented by the Solicitor General

(the "Province")

- and -

County of Dufferin

(the "Recipient")

#### BACKGROUND

- A. The Province implemented the Court Security and Prisoner Transportation (CSPT) Program (the "Program") in 2012 to assist municipalities in offsetting their costs of providing CSPT services in their jurisdictions;
- B. The Province will upload CSPT costs from municipalities to a maximum of \$125 million in 2024;
- C. The Recipient is a municipality which is responsible for the costs of providing security for court premises during hours of court operations and security of persons attending court; and/or the costs of transporting prisoners and custodial minors (i.e., persons between twelve and seventeen years of age) between correctional institutions, custodial facilities, and court locations for the purposes of court attendance;
- D. The Recipient has provided its 2022 CSPT costs, as confirmed in the 2022 Annual Financial Report submitted by the Recipient;
- E. Funding is allocated based on the Recipient's relative share of the total 2022 provincial CSPT cost.

#### CONSIDERATION

In consideration of the mutual covenants and agreements contained in this Agreement and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are expressly acknowledged, the Province and the Recipient agree as follows:

# 1.0 ENTIRE AGREEMENT

1.1 The agreement, together with:

Schedule "A" -	General Terms and Conditions
Schedule "B" -	Project Specific Information and Additional Provisions
Schedule "C" -	Project
Schedule "D" -	Payment Plan and Reporting Schedule
Schedule "E" -	Court Security and Prisoner Transportation Services and Activities Eligible for Funding
Schedule "F" -	Template for 2024 Annual Financial Report, and
any amending ad	preement entered into as provided for in section 4.1.

constitutes the entire agreement between the Parties with respect to the subject matter contained in the Agreement and supersedes all prior oral or written representations and agreements.

#### 2.0 CONFLICT OR INCONSISTENCY

- 2.1 **Conflict or Inconsistency.** In the event of a conflict or inconsistency between the Additional Provisions and the provisions in Schedule "A", the following rules will apply:
  - (a) the Parties will interpret any Additional Provisions in so far as possible, in a way that preserves the intention of the Parties as expressed in Schedule "A"; and
  - (b) where it is not possible to interpret the Additional Provisions in a way that is consistent with the provisions in Schedule "A", the Additional Provisions will prevail over the provisions in Schedule "A" to the extent of the inconsistency.

#### 3.0 COUNTERPARTS

3.1 The Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which will be deemed an original, but all of which together will constitute one and the same instrument.

#### 4.0 AMENDING THE AGREEMENT

4.1 The Agreement may only be amended by a written agreement duly executed by the Parties.

#### 5.0 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

- 5.1 The Recipient acknowledges that:
  - (a) by receiving Funds, it may become subject to legislation applicable to organizations that receive funding from the Government of Ontario,

# **BY-LAW NUMBER 2024-xx**

# A BY-LAW TO CONFIRM THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE COUNTY OF DUFFERIN AT ITS MEETING HELD ON APRIL 11, 2024.

WHEREAS Section 5 (1) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, as amended, provides that the powers of a municipality shall be exercised by its Council;

AND WHEREAS Section 5 (3) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, as amended, provides that municipal powers shall be exercised by by-law;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ENACTED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE COUNTY OF DUFFERIN ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. All actions of the Council of the Corporation of the County of Dufferin at its meetings held on April 11, 2024 in respect to every report, motion, by-law, or other action passed and taken by the Council, including the exercise of natural person powers, are hereby adopted, ratified and confirmed as if each report, motion, resolution or other action was adopted, ratified and confirmed by its separate by-law.
- 2. The Warden of the Council and the proper officers of the Corporation of the County of Dufferin are hereby authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to the said action, to obtain approvals where required and except where otherwise provided, to execute all documents necessary in that behalf.

READ a first, second and third time and finally passed this 11<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2024.



Michelle Dunne, Clerk

Darren White, Warden