



NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

Application to Amend County of Dufferin Official Plan

April 15, 2026 at 6:00 pm
Mel Lloyd Centre, Entrance F, New Horizon's Room
167 Centre Street, Shelburne

County File No: COPA2-25

Location: 476420 3rd Line, Melancthon (Chipwoods Park)

TAKE NOTICE that the County of Dufferin will hold a Public Meeting pursuant to subsection 22 of the Planning Act to hear public comments on a privately initiated County official plan amendment prior to the County making any decisions at a future meeting.

THE PUBLIC MEETING will be held in-person on Wednesday, April 15, 2026 at 6:00 pm in the New Horizon's Room at the Mel Lloyd Centre, Entrance F, 167 Centre Street, Shelburne. The agenda for the meeting will be posted on the County's website on the Friday prior to the meeting. As this meeting is for the purpose of receiving feedback from the public on the proposed official plan amendment, no decisions will be made by Council at the meeting.

Any person or public body may participate in this process by attending the meeting to speak in-person or by providing written comments on the proposed official plan amendment. Those who attend in-person to speak will have 3 minutes for comments during the meeting.

Written comments received prior to the meeting will be circulated to Council as part of the agenda package for the meeting. Written comments will also continue to be accepted by staff until a decision has been made by Council. Written comments can be sent to the attention of the County Clerk by email or by regular mail to the address listed at the end of this notice.

All information submitted to the County is subject to the Municipal Freedom of Information Act and Protection of Privacy Act. Personal information collected at the public meeting will be used to support Council in their decision making. Names and comments will form part of the public record.

Please note that this meeting will not be recorded or livestreamed.

THE PURPOSE AND EFFECT OF THE OFFICIAL PLAN AMENDMENT is to redesignate the subject lands from *Countryside Area* (Schedule B) and *Prime Agricultural* (Schedule C) to *Community Settlement Area*. The redesignation is to permit the establishment of a permanent, year-round, affordable leasehold community consisting of 222 residential units, recreational areas, and a defined commercial area.



ADDITIONAL INFORMATION including a copy of the proposed official plan amendment is available on the County's website <https://www.dufferincounty.ca/planning-development/application-process-fees/>

OTHER RELATED APPLICATIONS

The applicant has submitted Official Plan and Zoning By-law amendments to the Township of Melancthon. Those applications have not yet been deemed complete, as Township staff are awaiting a decision on the County Official Plan Amendment. No file numbers have been assigned to the applications at the Township level.

IF YOU WISH TO BE NOTIFIED OF THE DECISION of County Council in respect to this matter, you must make a written request to the County Clerk at the address listed below. Such requests must include the name and mailing address/email address to which the notice should be sent.

THE APPROVAL AUTHORITY for County of Dufferin Official Plan Amendments is the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing. If a person or public body would otherwise have an ability to appeal the decision of the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing to the Ontario Land Tribunal but the person or public body does not make oral submissions of the public meeting or make written submissions to the County of Dufferin before the proposed official plan amendment is adopted the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decision.

If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the County of Dufferin before the proposed official plan amendment is adopted the person or public body may not be added as a party to the hearing of an appeal before the Ontario Land Tribunal unless in the opinion of the Tribunal there are reasonable grounds to add the person or public body as a party.

DATED at Orangeville this 25th day of March, 2026.

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