

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

	What:	Notice of a Public Meeting for the updated/revised Official Plan (under Section 17 and 26 of the <i>Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. P.13</i> , as amended)
	When:	Public Meeting: Tuesday, November 25, 2025, at 6:00 pm
	Where:	Public Meeting: In-person at Town Hall, Council Chambers, 1593 Four Mile Creek Road, Virgil, or electronically via the directions below
	Regarding:	Official Plan Update – Final Draft Official Plan

What is this?

In 2019, the Town adopted a new Official Plan; however, this Plan was not approved by the Region at the time. With the many changes to planning policies at the Provincial level, the Town of Niagara-on-the-Lake is now reviewing and updating the 2019 Official Plan as required under the *Planning Act* to ensure conformity with Provincial policies and plans, as well as the Niagara Official Plan (now the Official Plan of the municipality following removal of planning responsibilities at the Regional level).



The community's vision for growth and development is implemented through an Official Plan which is a land use planning document for the entire municipality. Town Council must conduct an Open House and Public Meeting to receive comments on the proposed revised Official Plan. The Open Houses were held on October 15 and 16, 2025.

The Official Plan Update supports the theme areas of: Growth Management, Housing, Employment/Economy, Climate Change, Natural Environment, Cultural Heritage, Agriculture, Indigenous Engagement, Transportation/Infrastructure, and Urban Design.

Previous Public Information Centres for the Official Plan Update were held in March 2025, April 2025.

Dialogue is encouraged:

You are invited to attend the Public Meeting to gather information and provide input regarding this matter. **Public Meetings can be attended in-person or electronically.**

To **participate electronically** at the Public Meeting, you must register in advance with the Clerks Department (<u>clerks@notl.com</u> or 905-468-3266). You will receive an email on the date of the meeting with instructions to connect to the Public Meeting on your computer, tablet or telephone. You are encouraged to register as soon as possible, but prior to 12 noon on Monday November 24, 2025.



To **participate in-person**, please attend the meeting as scheduled above. Registration with the Clerk is encouraged to help facilitate the meeting, but not required. Please note that those registered will be first to speak.

If you wish to view the Public Meeting for information purposes, registration is not required. The meeting will be recorded and available for viewing after the meetings on the Town's website at https://www.notl.com/council-government/meetings-agendas-minutes.

Please Note: Written comments are encouraged and must be submitted to the Town Clerk, at 1593 Four Mile Creek Road, P.O. Box 100, Virgil, ON L0S 1T0 or via email at clerks@notl.com referencing the above Official Plan Update. Unless indicated otherwise, all submissions, including personal information, will become part of the public record and will be included as an appendix to the staff recommendation report.

For more information:



A copy of the Final Draft Official Plan may be obtained on the Town's website at https://www.notl.com/official-plan-review, the project webpage at https://www.jointheconversationnotl.org/officialplan, or at the Community and Development Services Department within Town Hall.

Please contact Fiona Main, Senior Policy Planner, at 905-468-3266 ext 331 or via email at fiona.main@notl.com if additional information is required.

Following a decision of Council to adopt the Official Plan, the Plan will be submitted to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing for approval.

If you wish to be notified of the future decision with respect to the applications, you must submit a written request to the Town Clerk including your name and the address to which such notice should be sent.



The Notice of Public Meeting of the Town of Niagara-on-the-Lake Draft Official Plan is pursuant to Section 17 of the *Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. P.13*, as amended.

The Final Draft Official Plan was prepared pursuant to Section 17 and Section 26 of the *Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. P.13*, as amended.

Dated at the Town of Niagara-on-the-Lake, October 22, 2025 Grant Bivol, Town Clerk