



# OFFICIAL PLAN REVIEW

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## **Elgin County**

Official Plan 5-Year Review Stakeholder Discussion  
April 2021



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## Overview

### Purpose and Structure of the Discussion

An Official Plan is a legal statutory planning document required by the province that describes the County's land-use strategy. The [County of Elgin's Official Plan](#) includes the vision, goals and policy directions of the County, as established by the community, and provides guidance for land use planning decisions in the County; including:

- Locations for settlement areas, agricultural lands, and natural heritage;
- When and in what order parts of our communities will grow; and
- Protection for agricultural, mineral and environmental resources.

The purpose of an Official Plan 5-Year Review update is to ensure that the community vision/values, directions, policies and actions in the Plan reflect changes and meet the needs of the community for the future, and to review for consistency with the [Provincial Policy Statement](#).

Staff will be collaborating with local stakeholders from across the County to gather input on key issues facing Elgin today, and getting feedback on how we want to see our County evolve in the future. These will take the form of one on one meetings during the public consultation component of the OP Review.

As part of this process, County staff will be conducting interviews with community stakeholders across the County. Your perspective and input are extremely important to the success of this engagement.

***The interviews will be scheduled for 30 to 60 minutes and will be conducted via video conference or over telephone.***

All information gathered through the interviews will be included in an issues scoping report that will be brought forward to County Council. The questions below will serve as the basis for our interview.



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## Discussion Questions

1. What is the mandate of your organization?
2. What role does your organization play/ how is your organization affected by development?
3. What is your organization's position on development in the County of Elgin?
4. What, if any, legislation or policy changes have occurred since the last Official Plan (2013) process related to your service/area?
5. What is your vision for the County of Elgin?
6. What do you want the Elgin County Official Plan to prioritize over the next 5-10 years?
7. What sections of the current Official Plan would you like to discuss? Which provisions are critical to maintain? Are there areas of concern?
8. What are your key priorities for the next 5-10 years?
9. Are there sections/provisions contained within the Provincial Policy Statement or Planning Act that you would like to discuss?
10. How can the County of Elgin work with you?