
Notice of Public Meeting

Date: June 14, 2023 at 5:30 PM

Place: This hearing will be a hybrid (virtual/in person) meeting.

Virtual Participation: Zoom Webinar / Youtube Livestream

In-person Participation: Meridian Community Centre,

100 Meridian Way, Fonthill - Accursi Room B

Town Council approved hybrid meetings via By-law No. 4507 (2022). The Town of Pelham live webcast of the Public Meeting will be streaming at:

<https://www.youtube.com/user/TownOfPelham/live>

Take notice that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Pelham will hold a public meeting on **Wednesday, June 14, 2023, at 5:30pm** pursuant to subsection 26(3) of the *Planning Act* to formally initiate the process to review and update the Town of Pelham's Official Plan and obtain feedback on land use items that Council and the public would like to be considered. The meeting will also allow an opportunity to present an overview of timelines and important milestones for the project.

No location map is provided as the project applies to all areas of the Town of Pelham.

Purpose and Effect:

The Town of Pelham Official Plan is a long-term policy document that guides land use planning in the Town. It establishes the Town's goals, objectives, and policies for managing growth, ensuring adequate housing, employment, infrastructure, and community services are provided for Town residents, and protecting the Town's natural heritage and agricultural areas.

The intent of this project is to review and update the policies of the Town's existing Official Plan to achieve the following:

- Consistency with the Province of Ontario's Provincial Policy Statement, 2020, and have regard for matters of Provincial interest outlined in section 2 of the Planning Act;

- Conformity with applicable Provincial plans, including the Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe, Greenbelt Plan, and the Niagara Escarpment Plan;
- Conformity with Niagara Region's new Official Plan, which was approved by the province in Fall 2022; and
- Alignment with current best practices around growth, land-use and infrastructure planning.

This meeting will be the first of a series of public engagement sessions, as the Town develops its new Official Plan. No decisions are being made at this time and Staff are anticipating a draft version of the new Official Plan to be available in late 2023/early 2024 for public review and comment.

Your Input is Encouraged: The Town of Pelham would appreciate receiving your written and/or verbal comments. Unless indicated otherwise, personal information and all comments will become part of the public record and may be publicly released. To provide input in writing, or to request personal notice if the proposed new Official Plan, please submit your correspondence or request by **12:00 PM on June 2, 2023** for inclusion in the public meeting agenda package c/o Town Clerk, William Tigert, PO Box 400, 20 Pelham Town Square, Fonthill, Ontario L0S 1E0, or by email at WTigert@pelham.ca. Comments and requests received after this date will still be received by Council, however they may not be published as part of the public meeting agenda. Verbal comments will be received by the Town at the public hearing via virtual or in-person participation.

To provide verbal comments virtually at the hearing, please pre-register with the Town Clerk by sending an email to WTigert@pelham.ca before **12:00pm noon on Friday June 9, 2023**. Zoom webinar registration information and procedure will be provided. **To provide verbal comments in-person at the Public Meeting, pre-registration is encouraged but not required.** Registrants will be notified of Council's Decision. If you have not submitted written comments and wish to submit a comment live during the meeting, you may livestream the meeting from the Town of [Pelham's YouTube channel](#) and e-mail comments to clerks@pelham.ca during the public

portion of this application only. If your comments are not received during the public portion of the meeting, they will not be considered.

Need More Information: For more information, please contact Lindsay Richardson, MCIP, RPP, Policy Planner, by email at lrichardson@pelham.ca or at 905-980-6675 or 905-892-2607 ext 335. A copy of the staff Report regarding the public meeting as well as any additional information may be obtained on the Town's website at <https://engagingpelham.ca> or at Town Hall by appointment after **12:00 PM on Friday, June 9, 2023.**

Please note that personal information collected in response to this notice will be used to assist Town staff and Council in preparing the updated Official Plan and will form part of the public record.

Dated: Tuesday May 9, 2023