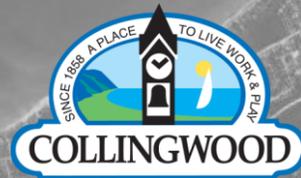


# Collingwood Official Plan Update

## Municipal Infrastructure Community Workshop

December 1st, 2020



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# Overview of Work Completed to Date

Since the last public workshop in March 2020, a number of tasks have been completed in the Official Plan Update project:

- Online Survey
- What We Heard Report
- 9 Discussion Papers
- DRAFT Options & Recommendations Reports
- Meetings with the Technical Advisory Committee & Department Heads
- One-on-one meetings with members of Council
- Council Presentation

# Work Program

Phase 1

Project Start-Up

Phase 2

Community Visioning/Information Gathering

Phase 3

Background Analysis/Studies and Issue Identification

Phase 4

Directions/Recommendations < **We are here**

Phase 5

Draft Plan

Phase 6

Adoption



# Guiding the Official Plan Update – Key Values

It has been made clear that the character and spirit of Collingwood are grounded in several key values. These values will continue to be critical considerations as the project moves forward, particularly through the upcoming draft Official Plan.

- Walkability
- Social inclusivity
- Healthy lifestyle
- Sustainability
- Connectivity
- Quality urban design



# Community Engagement



**Project Webpage**



**Email List (360+)**



**Public Workshop March 2020**

- 12 discussion groups over 3 sessions
- Approximately 150 participant



**89 Emails Received**



**4 Community Group Meetings**



**2 Rounds of One-on-One Conversations with Council Members**

- January 6<sup>th</sup> & November 20<sup>th</sup>/23<sup>rd</sup> 2020



**Social media**

- 15 posts each on Facebook and Twitter



**2 Council Presentations**

- January 7<sup>th</sup> & November 23<sup>rd</sup> 2020



**Online survey**

# What We Heard | Online Survey, Key Opportunities/8 Topics

- Survey ran from May 21<sup>st</sup> to July 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2020
- Over 528 participants and 20,184 data points
- Almost 70% of participants identified as female
- 75% of all participants were 41 years or older

Comments received through the online survey on **municipal infrastructure** include:

- Plan for excessive amounts of rainwater by implementing permeable surfaces and rain barrels
- Need to consider climate change in all policy development, especially relating to municipal infrastructure
- Encourage new development to use renewable energy sources
- Subsidize and explore solar energy options

# What We Heard | Municipal Infrastructure Discussion Paper

- Should not be investing in infrastructure that will not allow us to address climate change moving forward
- The Town should be moving away from using natural gas in homes

# Municipal Infrastructure

## Discussion Paper

- As per the Master Servicing Plan, the Town should **encourage water conservation**, helping to delay significant infrastructure costs
- The Town needs to consider how to manage future development in areas where **full municipal services are not currently available**
- The Official Plan municipal services **mapping will need to be updated** in accordance with the Master Servicing Plan

# Levels of Control

The Levels of Control – **Regulate, Manage and Facilitate** – provide an important foundation for the development of options and recommendations. The Levels of Control are linked to the level of flexibility and level of anticipated change to development patterns.

- **Regulate:** Identifies mandatory requirements with little room for interpretive flexibility, using language such as ‘require’, ‘will’, ‘shall’ and ‘must’
- **Manage:** More focused on management and implementing principles with some inherent interpretive flexibility, using language such as ‘permit’, ‘prefer’ and ‘should’
- **Facilitate:** Intended to facilitate positive change that might be more difficult to achieve, using language such as ‘encourage’, ‘desire’ and ‘incent’

# Municipal Infrastructure

## DRAFT Options & Recommendations Report

- MI Option 1: Current approach with required adjustments (**regulate**)
-  - MI Option 2: Align private servicing policies more closely with Provincial policy, and include stronger wording to promote full municipal services and connecting to municipal services (**manage/facilitate**)

### Green Infrastructure and Low Impact Development (LID)

-  - MI Option 3: Go beyond Provincial requirements to encourage green infrastructure and LID, subject to local conditions; the Town will consider such infrastructure in appropriate public works (**regulate/manage/facilitate**)
- MI Option 4: Require that green infrastructure and LID be prioritized for all new development/public works (**regulate/manage**)

### Implementation of Town Plans

- MI Option 5: Refer to the Master Servicing Plan without repeating its content
-  - MI Option 6: Refer to the Master Servicing Plan and distill its key objectives to include in the Official Plan
- MI Option 7: Include a fulsome implementation of the Master Servicing Plan in the Official Plan, including objectives, key policies and recommendations

# Next Steps

1. Finalize the Options and Recommendations Report
2. Begin Phase 5: Draft Plan

