



Presentation to Downtown BIA

February 13, 2020

What is an Official Plan?

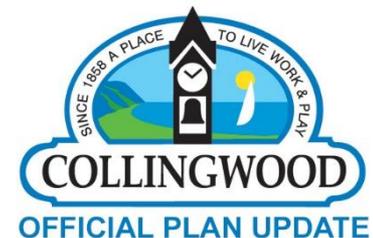
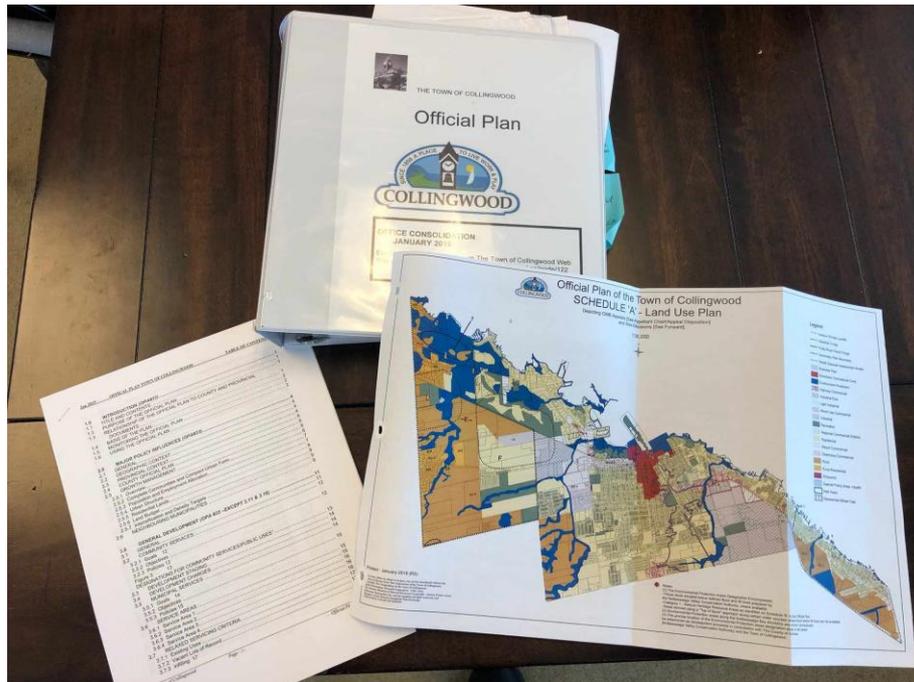
The Official Plan is made up of a combination of:

- text that sets out policies dealing with different principles, processes and land uses (residential, commercial, industrial, natural environment etc.)
and;
- maps or schedules showing land designations and other information.



What is an Official Plan?

The document is used regularly as a guide for how and where development occurs over the next 20 years



Why update the Official Plan?

- Provide Council with tools to address community change and manage growth;
- Integrate the content of other plans;
- Align with legislative and policy changes made by the Province and the County of Simcoe;

AND

- Required by the Planning Act



What is an Official Plan?

An Official Plan is a statutory planning tool that:

- Manages growth – amount, location, type
- Articulates land use focused goals, objectives and policies
- Leads the development approval process and provides a framework for the Zoning By-law, Site Plan Approval and other tools available through the Planning Act

How does the OP get updated?

1) Start Up



2) Community Visioning & Information Gathering



3) Background Studies & Discussion Papers



4) Directions & Recommendations



5) Draft Official Plan



6) Council Adoption & County Approval

What will the update cover?

Growth Management

Sustainable Development

Housing Options

Community Design

Greenlands (Natural Areas)

The Downtown and Waterfront

Transportation

Municipal Infrastructure

In other words...

- How and where should we grow?
- How can the community grow smarter to balance the changing needs of the people and the environment?
- What types of housing will people live in?
- What should our community look like?
- What role does the natural environment play in our community?
- How can we strengthen our downtown and waterfront?
- How do we protect and enhance our cultural (built) heritage?
- How should we move around and through our community?
- How should we manage the servicing system?

When will the Plan be in effect?

- After Collingwood Council approval the County must approve the Plan
- County approval is subject to appeal
- Until County approval, the current plan is in effect

What's happening next?

Wednesday March 4th Community Workshop

Presentation followed by issue-based small group work.

Choose a time that works for you:

1:00–3:00 PM 3:30–5:30 PM 6:30–8:30 PM

Public Library 3rd Floor, Community Rooms B & C

More to come...

- Future community workshops
- Surveys
- Meetings with community groups
- Pop-up stations at events and in the community
- Community feedback tools (Postcards, email, online comment etc.)



How do I stay involved?

Official Plan Update webpage:

engage.collingwood.ca/official-plan

Email:

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