

Public Feedback Sought on Part One of Peterborough's Draft Official Plan

The City of Peterborough is undertaking an overall review of the Official Plan with the purpose of updating the planning principles and policies that will determine how our City grows over the next 20 years. While some of the policies in the Official Plan start shaping the City immediately, others are more long-term. Whether the policies take effect over the short or long term, they are based on a common vision. The Official Plan is being developed with input from the public and community stakeholders to develop this common vision and the strategic policy direction that reflects it.

The Draft Official Plan 2016 is being released in two parts:

- **Part One** - contains strategic policies for the City, connecting to several themes that were identified as priorities by the public and stakeholders through *Plan It Peterborough*. This part was released in early April 2016 and is now available for public review.
- **Part Two** - contains the more detailed land use policies that implement the policy direction of Part One and will be soon released for public review.

Three sections (A to C) are covered in Part One of the Plan. **Section A** offers an overall introduction to the Official Plan, including its Purpose, Organization and Interpretation, Context, Time Frame and Effect of the Plan and Contents.

Section B includes the Vision Statement and the Guiding Principles, such as:

- A Complete Community
- A Sustainable Environment
- A Unique and Vibrant Sense of Place
- A Linked Community
- A Strong and Diverse Economy

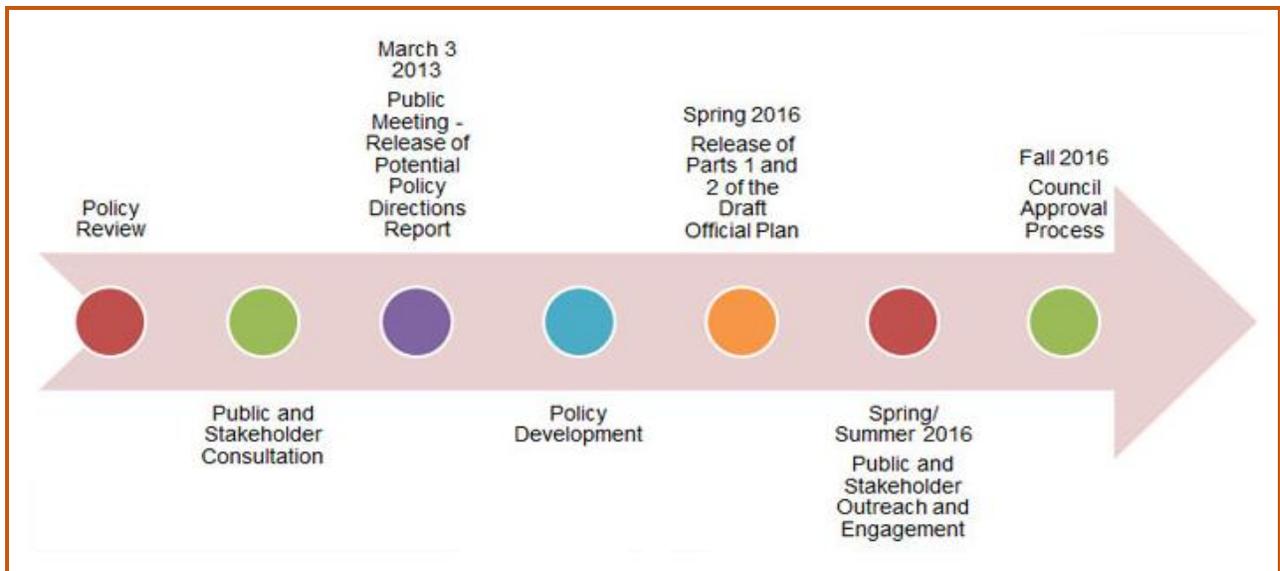
Section C breaks down the guiding principles into strategic policies that implement the vision. These include:

- Growth Management
 - Built Boundary
 - Urban Growth Centre
 - Designated Greenfield Areas
 - Intensification Corridors and Major Transportation Stations
- A Complete Community
- A Sustainable Environment

- Natural Heritage Features and Areas
- Water
- Natural Hazards
- Energy Conservation and Generation, Air Quality and Climate Change
- Access to Local Food
- Urban Forest
- A Unique and Vibrant Sense of Place
 - Cultural Heritage Resources
 - Heritage Impact Assessment
 - Archaeological Resources
 - Urban Design
 - Public Art
- A Linked Community
- A Strong and Diverse Economy
 - Infrastructure and Public Service Facilities
 - Employment Areas
 - Commercial Strategy and Structure
 - Role and Components
 - The Central Area
 - Shopping Nodes
 - Special Policy Areas
 - Proposed Amendments and Monitoring

Where Are We in the Official Plan Review Process and What's Next?

The following diagram illustrates the different stages of the review process:



Source: http://www.peterborough.ca/Business/Studies/Official_Plan_Update.htm

Public Engagement

The launch of the Part One of the Draft Official Plan marked the beginning of the **public engagement phase**. The goal of the public engagement is to check back with the community to ensure that the draft policies are on the right track for realizing the community's vision for Peterborough's future.

Input from the public and stakeholders will be used to finalize the Official Plan for Council's approval anticipated for fall 2016.

Community members are encouraged to read through [the plan](#) and voice their opinion.

- Has the plan identified all of the issues that are important to you and our community?
- What did you like?
- What is it missing?
- What can be further improved?

To answer some of these questions consider taking a five minutes [questionnaire](#) and share your feedback on Part One of the Draft Official Plan.

Please visit the [Official Plan Review website](#) for details on what has occurred to date, and what events to expect in the near future. For questions or any additional information you send an email to planit@peterborough.ca or call 705-742-7777 ext. 1886.

For questions on PSPC info notes, to be added to, or removed from the distribution list please email Safo at smusta@pspc.on.ca