

**SCHEDULE "A"**  
**2022 COUNTY-WIDE PROPERTY TAX POLICIES**

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<b>POLICY</b>	<b>STAFF RECOMMENDATION</b>
<b>Transition Ratios, Tax Ratios, Class Discounts and Tax Rates</b>	<p><b>THAT</b> the 2022 County-wide tax ratios, class discounts and tax rates be approved as set out in Table 1; and</p> <p><b>THAT</b> staff be directed to prepare the necessary, tax ratio, class discounts and tax rating by-laws</p>
<b>Mandatory Capping</b>	<p><b>THAT</b> the application of Part IX, section 329.1 of the <i>Municipal Act</i> no longer applies to properties in the multi-residential property class, the commercial property class and the industrial property class in Wellington County effective January 1, 2020; and</p> <p><b>THAT</b> the mandatory property tax capping programme has officially ended for all properties in Wellington County with the possible exception of outstanding legacy appeals</p>
<b>Tax relief for low income seniors and persons with disabilities</b>	<p><b>THAT</b> the tax relief programme for low income seniors and low income persons with disabilities be continued for 2022; and</p> <p><b>THAT</b> a minimum rebate of \$400 be granted to qualified applicants having a tax increase lower than the \$400 threshold for the 2022 taxation year; and</p> <p><b>THAT</b> qualified applicants experiencing a minor decrease in taxes from the previous year will receive the minimum rebate of \$400 less the amount of the tax decrease; and</p> <p><b>THAT</b> applications may be made after the final tax bill for the year has been issued; and</p> <p><b>THAT</b> staff be directed to prepare the necessary tax relief for low income seniors and persons with disabilities by-law</p>
<b>Tax rebate for charities and other similar organizations</b>	<p><b>THAT</b> the tax rebate programme for charities and other similar organizations be continued for the 2022 taxation year</p>

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## TAX RATIOS, CLASS DISCOUNTS and TAX RATES

### STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

**THAT** the 2022 County-wide tax ratios, class discounts and tax rates be approved as set out in Table 1; and

**THAT** staff be directed to prepare the necessary tax ratio, class discounts and tax rating by-laws

Legislative reference: *Municipal Act 2001 Section 308*

### OVERVIEW

- Tax rates are measured as a percentage of the assessed value of a property
- Tax ratios show how a property class' tax rate compares with the residential rate - if a property class has a ratio of 2, then it is taxed at twice the rate of the residential class
- Transition ratios were calculated initially in 1998 by the Province and reflected the level of taxation by class **at that time**
- Tax ratios must be approved annually by County Council, unless delegated to the member municipalities. Table 1 shows the recommended 2022 tax ratios and rates for Wellington County. Table 4 shows 2021 tax ratios established by neighbouring municipalities
- Changing ratios shifts the burden of property taxes between property classes
- The Province established "ranges of fairness" which help protect property classes that are taxed at higher rates - If the ratio for a property class is outside the "range of fairness," a municipality can either maintain the current ratio or move towards the range of fairness, but may not move further from the fairness range (see Table 2)
- Municipalities may pass along up to 50% of a levy increase to classes which have ratios in excess of the provincial threshold
- To avoid tax shifts that may occur as a result of reassessment, municipalities typically have the option of setting new transition ratios based on a prescribed formula. Once reset, the new ratios may then be established for all of the tax classes or may be selectively adopted. The benefit of adopting new transition ratios is that it allows the flexibility of imposing a higher ratio on any of the capped classes for the current and subsequent taxation years. However, if any of the transition ratios are lower than the existing ratio, the lower one becomes the ceiling and cannot be increased in the current or possibly future taxation years. Since the Province has postponed reassessment, the revenue neutral transition ratios are the same as the 2021 tax ratios, as there is once again, no phased-in assessment increase
- Table 3 details the upper-tier tax change by class using current tax ratios by comparing the 2021 year-end and 2022 assessment rolls
- Ontario Regulation 65/17 prescribes a maximum ratio threshold of 2.0 for the Multi-Residential property class. Municipalities with a ratio currently set higher than 2.0 are subject to a full levy restriction and cannot increase their current multi-residential class ratio. However, those municipalities with a ratio below 2.0 may increase the current ratio but no higher than 2.0. The Multi-Residential tax ratio has been set at 1.9 for Wellington County
- The Province has legislated a New Multi-Residential tax class beginning in 2017 which must be adopted by all municipalities. The new multi-residential class is limited to a tax ratio between 1.0 and 1.1. The New Multi-Residential tax ratio was set at 1.1 for Wellington County
- The Province has also legislated a Landfill property tax class beginning in 2017 which must be adopted by all municipalities that contain Landfill properties. The starting ratio for Landfill was originally set by the Ministry of Finance for each municipality with Landfill properties at that time. Every year, municipalities wishing to increase the Landfill ratio could do so by selecting the maximum ratio provided by the Ministry of Finance. Maximum ratio for Landfills is calculating by taking the revenue neutral tax ratio for Landfill

and increasing it by 5%. Wellington County has selecting the increased ratio option each year since 2017. The new ratio for Landfill is 1.68.

- The Province continued providing municipalities with broader flexibility commencing in 2017 intended to allow municipalities to tailor the vacant unit rebate and reduction programs to reflect community needs and circumstances, while considering the interests of local businesses. Changes to the rebate and reduction programmes are implemented through regulation. Municipalities that have decided to change the programmes must notify the Minister of their intent and provide details of the proposed changes along with a council resolution
- In Wellington County, Erin, Minto and Wellington North have made changes to vacant unit rebate policies effective January 1, 2017. All four of the other local municipalities have eliminated the vacant unit rebate programme including Puslinch (effective January 1, 2018); and Centre Wellington, Guelph/Eramosa, and Mapleton (effective January 1, 2019). Wellington County, with the support of our member municipalities, has completely eliminated the excess and vacant lands subclass discounts as of January 1, 2019
- Under the current programme if the property is in any of the commercial classes, the vacant unit rebate is equal to 30% of full taxes; and 35% for those in the industrial property classes
- Enhanced flexibility options will allow municipalities to set rebate and reductions to any percentage range lower than currently legislated including no reduction at all bringing them to full tax liability
- Although both the vacant unit rebate and the excess and vacant land reductions are decisions made by an upper or single tier, it is the local member municipalities that fully administer the vacant unit rebate programme
- Since providing these enhanced flexibility options, the province has now followed suit by lowering or eliminating the education tax rate discounts for these policy options to mirror the changes made by each municipality. And further, effective January 1, 2020, the education tax discount has been fully eliminated for each of the commercial and industrial vacant or excess land property classes unless the municipality has notified the Minister of a modified discount rate reduction
- The Ministry has provided a check list for municipalities to consider before making changes to the programmes, including engaging with the local business sector. At this time, Erin, Minto and Wellington North may still opt for additional eligibility changes or completely eliminate the vacant unit rebate programme entirely
- Announced in 2017, the Province has prescribed new subclasses for Small-Scale on Farm Business Properties effective January 1, 2018. Provided that the business supports the farming activity, Councils may adopt the new commercial or industrial farm business subclass. This would allow for the business tax portion to be discounted to 75% of the applicable tax rate. Starting in 2022, municipalities that adopt the small-scale on-farm business subclass will have the option to maintain the current assessment threshold of \$50,000 for municipal tax purposes, and they may also adopt a second subclass that would increase the amount of eligible assessment to \$100,000. The Province will apply a reduced business education tax rate to this increased \$100,000 threshold for all eligible properties, regardless of whether municipalities adopt the subclass. Wellington County has not adopted the reduced farm business subclasses
- Announced in November 2020, the Province will allow municipalities to set a New Optional Small Business Property Subclass effective January 1, 2021 or future taxation years
- The intent is to provide municipalities with the flexibility to target property tax relief to small businesses in a way that best reflects their local circumstances. The Province will also consider matching these municipal property tax reductions in order to provide further support for small businesses
- Implementing a new optional small business subclass is not recommended for 2022
- Ontario Regulation 62/17 provides municipalities with the option to adjust the year-end assessment to offset changes resulting from certain in-year reassessment related changes such as appeal losses. Adopting the filter effects the calculation of the Notional Rate and Revenue Neutral Tax Ratios. This typically increases the Notional Rates resulting in a lower levy change used on tax bill notices. Applying the adjustment is an annual decision adopted by Council resolution

- Removing in-year adjustments from the Notional Rate calculation is not recommended for 2022
- Provisions for the taxing of farmland awaiting development are as follows:
  - on registration of the plan of subdivision, property assessment changes from being based on farm use to zoned use, and a tax rate of between 25% and 75% of the residential rate will apply [the rate can be adjusted up or down by up to 10 percentage points per year]
  - when a building permit is issued, the tax rate may change from 25% to 100% of the rate that would apply to the property's zoned use

## **POLICY CONSIDERATIONS**

- Higher tax ratios could be perceived as discriminatory by multi-residential, commercial and industrial property owners who may feel that they are overtaxed relative to residential properties
- The disparity between the commercial and industrial tax ratios is difficult to justify
- Non-residential and multi residential properties have historically been taxed at higher rates in most municipalities across the province
- Multi-residential properties are assessed on a different basis than residential properties and most often will attract a lesser amount of assessment per unit
- Adopting discounted subclasses for small-scale on farm business properties may be perceived as unfair by other commercial and industrial business owners who are taxed at the full rate. In addition, farm properties are already receiving discounted farmland tax rates for municipal and education purposes as well as a lower replacement cost valuation on the residential farmhouse component
- Adopting the New Optional Small Business Subclass would shift taxes onto other property tax classes including other businesses. Defining what is a "small business" is difficult, and could be perceived as unfair to other commercial and industrial business owners, leading to additional property assessment appeals

## MANDATORY CAPPING

### STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

**THAT** the application of Part IX, section 329.1 of the *Municipal Act* no longer applies to properties in the multi-residential property class, the commercial property class and the industrial property class in Wellington County effective January 1, 2020; and

**THAT** the mandatory property tax capping programme has officially ended for all properties in Wellington County with the possible exception of outstanding legacy appeals

Legislative reference: *Municipal Act 2001 Part IX*

### OVERVIEW

- Since property tax reform began in 1998, legislation provided that Councils must limit the assessment related tax increases on multi residential, commercial and industrial property classes
- Councils must then decide how to finance the cap, which can be done by capping decreases as well, by using general revenues or reserves, or a combination of the two
- Shortfalls could not be shared with school boards
- The Province has since provided increased flexibility for municipalities with the following options:
  - maintaining the 5% mandatory cap
  - increasing the cap between 5% and 10%, or selecting 10% of CVA tax (whichever is higher)
  - if an increasing property is within \$500 of CVA taxation, then it may be billed at full tax
  - if a decreasing property is within \$500 of CVA taxation, then it will receive the full reduction without clawback
- Ontario Regulation 160/09 under the *Municipal Act* granted municipalities the option to remove those properties from the capping regime that had reached full CVA taxation in 2019 and to remain at full CVA tax level for 2020
- Ontario Regulation 102/16 provided additional flexibility with the following options:
  - limiting cap protection only to reassessment related changes prior to the current taxation year
  - exclude vacant land properties from capping phase-out calculations
  - phase-out capping over a 4-year cycle if **all** of the properties in a capped class are equal to or greater than 50% of the uncapped taxes for the property for the taxation year
- Multi-residential properties have not been subject to capping since 2010. Industrial properties entered the fourth and final year to phase-out of capping in 2019. Although commercial properties entered into the second year of the capping phase-out cycle in 2019, for 2020 all commercial properties have reached their full CVA taxes and are now eligible to exit and end the capping programme immediately
- With the support of Council and our member municipalities, by selecting all available capping options throughout the years, Wellington has completely ended the mandatory tax capping regime effective the 2020 taxation year
- However, capping may still be in effect for properties that remain open to long outstanding legacy appeals

## **TAX RELIEF FOR LOW INCOME SENIORS AND LOW INCOME PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES**

### **STAFF RECOMMENDATION:**

**THAT** the tax relief programme for low income seniors and low income persons with disabilities be continued for 2022; and

**THAT** a minimum rebate of \$400 be granted to qualified applicants having a tax increase lower than the \$400 threshold for the 2022 taxation year; and

**THAT** qualified applicants experiencing a minor decrease in taxes from the previous year will receive the minimum rebate of \$400 less the amount of the tax decrease; and

**THAT** applications may be made after the final tax bill for the year has been issued; and

**THAT** staff be directed to prepare the necessary tax relief for low income seniors and persons with disabilities by-law

Legislative reference: *Municipal Act 2001 Section 319*

### **OVERVIEW**

- Upper tier and single tier municipalities **MUST** provide a programme of tax relief for low-income seniors or persons with disabilities for the purpose of “relieving financial hardship” due to a reassessment
- Relief can be in the form of a deferral or cancellation of tax increases
- Tax relief is currently provided in the form of a cancellation of any increase in taxes payable year-over-year
- Tax cancellation, for the purpose of this policy, means the difference between this year’s taxes, minus last year’s tax as adjusted in accordance with the legislation
- The legislation also applies to tax increases for local municipal and education purposes
- The amount cancelled is withheld by the local municipality from amounts levied for upper tier and school board purposes
- The intent of this policy is to provide a mechanism to assist those least able to pay a significant increase in taxes due to reassessment
- The minimum rebate of \$400 will be granted to eligible applicants experiencing a minor tax increase lower than the \$400 threshold
- Qualified applicants experiencing a minor decrease in taxes from the previous year will receive the minimum rebate of \$400 less the amount of the tax decrease
- Applications may be made any time after the final tax bill is issued up to and including the deadline of November 1, 2022
- Applications may only be made once during the tax year

## OVERVIEW

### Promotion efforts:

- Additional efforts have been undertaken to increase taxpayer awareness of the programme
- Local municipalities mention the rebate programme and filing deadline on their tax bill inserts
- The County's tax bill insert (to go out with 2022 final tax bills) includes details about the programme
- Twice a year the County publishes notification of the Low Income Seniors or Persons with Disabilities Property Tax Relief Programme on the County Page of the Wellington Advertiser
- Programme details are available on municipal and County websites
- The number of applications has almost tripled since the start of the programme, however, with phased-in CVA assessment, significant annual tax increase amounts have been declining
- The average rebate in 2021 was \$397
- In 2021, 178 applications were approved including 7 for disability relief. In 2020, a total of 202 applications were approved including 13 for disability tax relief.

The following table details the 2021 sharing of senior/disabled property tax rebates:

### COUNTY OF WELLINGTON

#### SUMMARY OF TAX RELIEF TO LOW INCOME SENIORS AND LOW INCOME PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES FOR THE 2021 TAXATION YEAR

2021	Number			Local	County	School	Total	Average Refund
	Approved	Seniors	Disabled					
Puslinch	11	11	0	\$ 807	\$ 2,884	\$ 709	\$ 4,400	\$ 400.00
Guelph-Eramosa	14	13	1	\$ 1,430	\$ 3,347	\$ 823	\$ 5,600	\$ 400.00
Erin	19	19	0	\$ 2,144	\$ 4,378	\$ 1,078	\$ 7,600	\$ 400.00
Centre Wellington	52	48	4	\$ 6,023	\$ 11,390	\$ 2,802	\$ 20,215	\$ 388.75
Mapleton	11	11	0	\$ 1,621	\$ 2,164	\$ 532	\$ 4,317	\$ 392.46
Minto	30	28	2	\$ 5,031	\$ 5,609	\$ 1,380	\$ 12,020	\$ 400.66
Wellington North	41	41	0	\$ 6,226	\$ 8,016	\$ 2,158	\$ 16,400	\$ 400.00
<b>COUNTY</b>	<b>178</b>	<b>171</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>\$ 23,281</b>	<b>\$ 37,788</b>	<b>\$ 9,482</b>	<b>\$ 70,552</b>	<b>\$ 397.41</b>

Increase applications -11.88%

Avg rebate increase \* 0.15%

\* several property tax decreases in Centre Wellington & Mapleton, no change in CVA

# **TAX RELIEF PROVISIONS FOR LOW INCOME SENIORS AND LOW INCOME PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES**

## **GENERAL PARAMETERS**

1. Taxes for 2022 will be in comparison to the 2021 annualized taxes
2. Tax relief is in the form of a cancellation of taxes
3. For the 2022 tax year, a minimum rebate amount of \$400 will be given to qualified applicants having a tax increase lower than the \$400 threshold
4. The maximum rebate amount will be capped at \$500
5. For the 2022 tax year, qualified applicants experiencing a minor decrease in taxes from the previous year will receive the minimum rebate of \$400 less the amount of the tax decrease
6. Applications may be made any time after the final tax bills have been mailed but no later than November 1, 2022

## **ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA (for receipt of property tax relief):**

### **A) LOW-INCOME SENIORS**

- Must have attained the age of 65 years and be in receipt of benefits under the Guaranteed Income Supplement (GIS) programme
- The eligibility criteria mirrors similar economic criteria set by the Province under the Seniors Tax Credit Programme established in 2009

### **B) LOW-INCOME PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES**

- Must be in receipt of benefits under the Ontario Disability Support Programme (ODSP)
- Application may be reviewed in consultation with local Treasurers and/or the County's Social Services Department

## **OTHER PROVISIONS**

- To qualify for tax assistance, applicants must have been owners of real property within the County for a period of one (or more) year(s) preceding the application
- Tax assistance is only allowed on one principal residence of the qualified individual or the qualifying spouse. Appropriate proof of residency establishing continuous (i.e. not part-time) residency must be provided. Verification of documentation provided in conjunction with an application may be carried out independently at the discretion of the County Treasurer
- Tax relief applies to current taxes only (not tax arrears)
- Tax relief amounts are only cancelled after payment in full is received for any current and/or past year amounts payable
- Deadline to apply for tax relief is any time after the final tax bill has been issued up to and including November 1, 2022
- Application must be made annually to the County Treasurer to establish eligibility or continued eligibility, on a form similarly prescribed by by-law
- Applicant responsible to refund any overpayment of tax rebate granted if property assessment is reduced by the Assessment Review Board or Municipal Property Assessment Corporation
- For properties that are jointly held or co-owned by persons other than spouses, both or all co-owners must qualify under applicable eligibility criteria in order to receive tax relief
- Tax relief begins in the month in which the low income senior attains the age of 65 or in which the low income person becomes disabled



## **OTHER BACKGROUND INFORMATION ON TAX RELIEF FOR LOW INCOME SENIORS AND LOW INCOME PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES**

### **GUARANTEED INCOME SUPPLEMENT**

The Guaranteed Income Supplement (GIS) is a federal programme administered by Service Canada on behalf of Employment and Social Development Canada in conjunction with the Old Age Security (OAS) programme. The Guaranteed Income Supplement is an income-tested, monthly non-taxable benefit for Old Age Security pensioners with limited income apart from the Old Age Security pension.

To qualify for the GIS, an individual must:

- i. be receiving the Old Age Security pension;
- ii. be resident in Canada; and
- iii. have an income at or below the qualifying level, as established by regulation (for married couples, the combined income of both spouses must be below the qualifying level).

Provisions of the GIS are established under the *Old Age Security Act (Canada)*, and regulations made quarterly under this Act. Application, eligibility determination and payment of benefits under this programme are administered by Service Canada for Employment and Social Development Canada, thereby eliminating the need for individual municipalities to establish criteria and eligibility for applicants. Applicants need only demonstrate proof of GIS benefits to qualify for municipal property tax relief.

### **ONTARIO DISABILITY SUPPORT PROGRAMME**

The Ontario Disability Support Programme (ODSP) is a provincial programme administered by the Ontario Ministry of Community & Social Services (MCSS). The ODSP was introduced in legislation in June 1997 (Bill 142), and was created to remove people with disabilities from the Welfare system to more effectively meet their needs.

Eligibility under the ODSP is determined by staff of the MCSS, according to criteria which considers, among other things, the nature of the disability, the extent to which daily activities are affected by the disability, income level from all sources (including family income, receipt of benefits under other income support programmes such as GAINS, Canada Pension Plan, Workers Compensation, etc).

Application, eligibility determination and payment of benefits under the ODSP are administered by the MCSS, using information supplied by applicants. This eliminates the need for individual municipalities to establish criteria and eligibility for applicants. Applicants need only demonstrate proof of ODSP eligibility to qualify for municipal tax relief. In extreme cases consultation may be made with County Social Service staff to determine eligibility.

## TAX REBATES FOR CHARITIES AND OTHER SIMILAR ORGANIZATIONS

### STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

THAT the tax relief programme for charities and other similar organizations be continued for the 2022 taxation year

Legislative reference: *Municipal Act 2001 Section 361*

### OVERVIEW

- The original intent of the programme was to address certain tax impacts relating to the elimination of the Business Occupancy Tax (BOT) – registered charities that previously did not pay the BOT on leased commercial/industrial properties were put in a position of paying a higher (blended) tax rate on such properties
- All upper and single tier municipalities MUST have a rebate programme in place
- An eligible charity is a registered charity in accordance with the *Income Tax Act* and that has a registration number issued by the Canada Revenue Agency
- A property is eligible if it is one of the commercial or industrial property classes

#### Programme requirements include:

- The amount of the rebate must be at least 40% of taxes paid
- One half of the rebate must be paid within 60 days of receipt of the application and the balance paid within 120 days of receipt of the application
- Applications for a rebate must be made annually between January 1 of the taxation year and the last day of February of the following taxation year

#### Programme options include:

- Other similar organizations may also be provided with rebates
- Rebates may be provided to properties in classes other than the commercial and industrial classes
- The rebate percentage can vary for different charities or other similar organizations and can be up to 100% of taxes paid
- Cost of the rebate is shared between the upper tier, local municipality and school boards
- The organization receiving the rebate shall also be provided with a written statement showing the proportion of costs shared by the school boards
- If the property is under appeal by the owner, or a Request for Reconsideration, the charity will be ineligible for a rebate until such time as the matter is settled
- Where no rebate was issued due to assessment appeal, municipalities must pay interest at the lowest prime rate reported to the Bank of Canada. Reference: s257.11 (4) *Education Act* and s. 361 (9) *Municipal Act*
- Tax account must be in good standing to the satisfaction of the local Treasurer

## CURRENT TAX RELIEF PROVISIONS FOR REGISTERED CHARITIES AND OTHER SIMILAR ORGANIZATIONS

The County's by-law includes all mandated provisions as well as the following optional provisions:

- Rebates set at 40% of taxes paid
- At the discretion of the County Treasurer, expanded eligibility policy may include non-profit organizations, agricultural organizations, as well as boards of trade, chambers of commerce and registered amateur athletic organizations (as defined in the Income Tax Act)

### Promotional efforts:

- In order to increase public awareness of the Charitable Rebate Programme, twice a year the County places a notice in the Wellington Advertiser
- Details of the programme are also posted on municipal and County websites
- Local and County tax bill inserts inform property owners of the Charitable Rebate Programme
- The number of applications has more than doubled since 2007. For the 2021 tax year, 21 applications have been received to date. 21 have been approved, while 3 remain on hold pending formal applications being made. The County received 19 charitable rebate applications in 2020
- The following table details the 2021 sharing of charitable rebates and the types of organizations benefiting from the programme in each municipality

### Summary of Charitable Tax Rebates in 2021

	County	Local	School	Total	
Puslinch	\$ 1,305	\$ 358	\$ 1,238	\$ 2,901	Sunset Villa Association
Guelph/Eramosa	\$ 4,685	\$ 2,055	\$ 4,446	\$ 11,186	East Wellington Family Health Team
Guelph/Eramosa	\$ 1,456	\$ 639	\$ 1,382	\$ 3,477	Ontario 4-H Council
Guelph/Eramosa	\$ 1,191	\$ 506	\$ 1,130	\$ 2,827	Ventures Classic Car Club (2019)
Erin	\$ 6,591	\$ 3,227	\$ 6,254	\$ 16,073	East Wellington Family Health Team
Erin	\$ 1,209	\$ 592	\$ 1,148	\$ 2,949	East Wellington Community Services
Erin	\$ 785	\$ 385	\$ 745	\$ 1,915	Hillsburgh Community Medical Centre
Erin	\$ 922	\$ 452	\$ 875	\$ 2,249	Upper Credit Humane Society
Erin	\$ 911	\$ 447	\$ 919	\$ 2,277	Upper Credit Humane Society (2020)
Ctr Wellington	\$ 922	\$ 487	\$ 874	\$ 2,283	CMHA of Waterloo Wellington
Ctr Wellington*	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	Elora Centre for the Arts
Ctr Wellington	\$ 4,296	\$ 2,269	\$ 4,076	\$ 10,641	BFM (Fergus) Ent. Soc.
Ctr Wellington	\$ 961	\$ 507	\$ 912	\$ 2,380	Centre Wellington Food Bank
Ctr Wellington	\$ 1,291	\$ 682	\$ 1,225	\$ 3,198	Centre Wellington Food Bank
Ctr Wellington	\$ 1,313	\$ 694	\$ 1,246	\$ 3,253	Centre Wellington Food Bank
Ctr Wellington	\$ 2,114	\$ 1,117	\$ 2,006	\$ 5,238	Ctr Well Chamber of Commerce
Ctr Wellington*	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	Wellington-Waterloo Community Futures
Ctr Wellington*	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	Wellington-Waterloo Community Futures
Ctr Wellington	\$ 1,298	\$ 686	\$ 1,232	\$ 3,216	The Ontario Potato Board
Well North	\$ 174	\$ 134	\$ 165	\$ 472	New Growth Family Centre Inc
Well North	\$ 857	\$ 661	\$ 813	\$ 2,331	Mt Forest District Chamber of Commerce
Well North	\$ 1,101	\$ 849	\$ 1,045	\$ 2,994	CMHA Waterloo-Wellington
Well North	\$ 2,482	\$ 1,913	\$ 2,355	\$ 6,750	Cancer Patient Services Corp
Well North	\$ 953	\$ 735	\$ 905	\$ 2,593	New Growth Family Centre Inc
	\$ 35,513	\$ 19,034	\$ 33,753	\$ 91,201	

<b>Average (Mean) Rebate</b>	<b>\$ 4,343</b>
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<b>Median Rebate</b>	<b>\$ 2,901</b>
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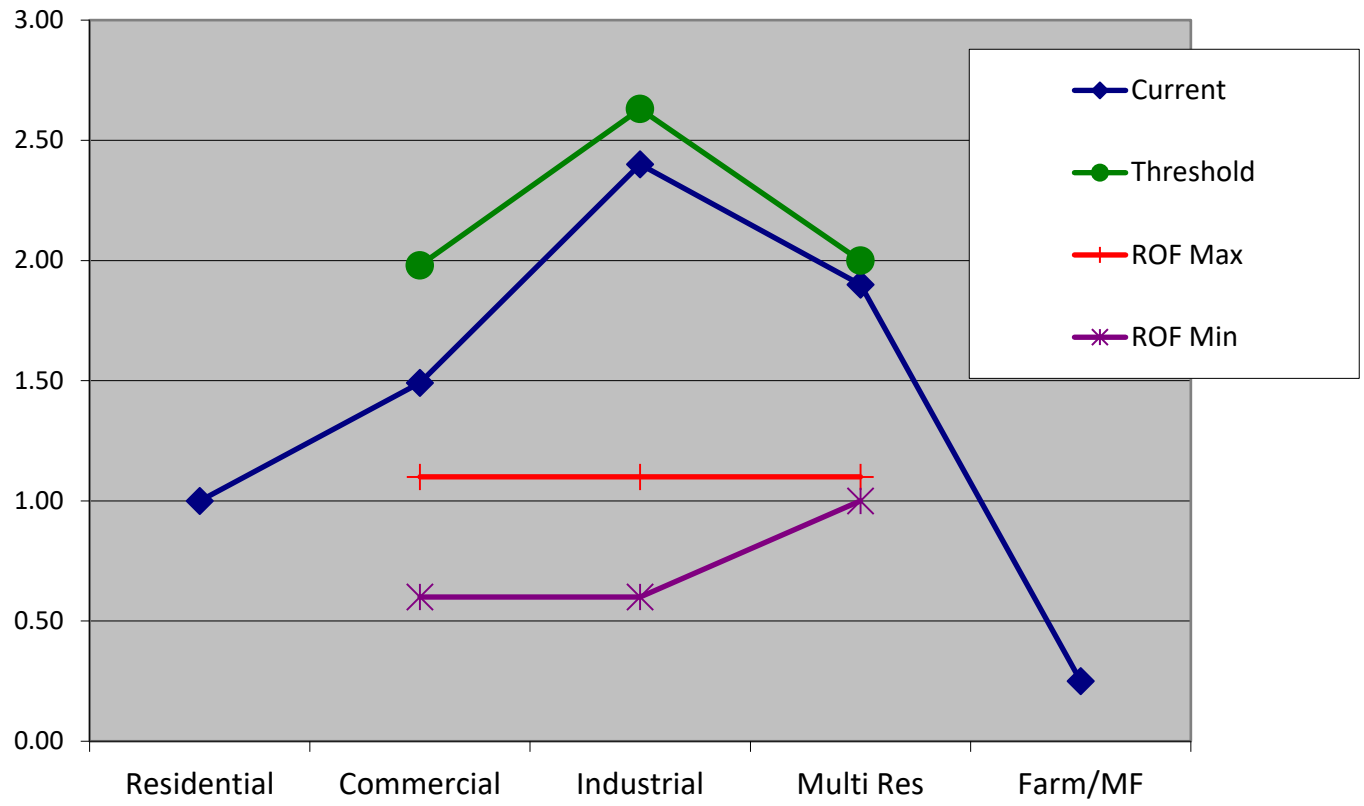
\* As of March 1, 2022 applications from 3 charities have not been filed

**TABLE ONE  
2022 COUNTY OF WELLINGTON TAX RATIOS, DISCOUNTS AND RATES**

Property Class/Subclass	Provincial Range of Fairness	Provincial Threshold ratio	Revenue Neutral ratio	2022 County Tax ratio	2022 Discounts	2022 County Tax Rates
<b>Class</b>						
residential/farm (RT)	1.0 to 1.0			1.000000		0.00634655
multi-residential (MT)	1.0 to 1.1	2.0000	1.9000	1.900000		0.01205844
new multi-residential (NT)	1.0 to 1.1	1.1000	1.1000	1.100000		0.00698120
farmland (FT)	0.01 to 0.25			0.250000		0.00158664
commercial (CT)	0.6 to 1.1	1.9800	1.4910	1.491000		0.00946270
industrial (IT)	0.6 to 1.1	2.6300	2.4000	2.400000		0.01523171
large industrial (LT)	0.6 to 1.1	2.6300	2.4000	2.400000		0.01523171
landfill (HF) PILT	0.6 to 1.1		1.6000	1.680000		0.01066220
pipeline (PT)	0.6 to 0.7		2.2500	2.250000		0.01427973
shopping centre (ST)	0.6 to 1.1	1.9800	1.4910	1.491000		0.00946270
managed forests (TT)	0.25 to 0.25			0.250000		0.00158664
parking lot (GT)	0.6 to 1.1	1.9800	1.4910	1.491000		0.00946270
new construction industrial (JT)	0.6 to 1.1	2.6300	2.4000	2.400000		0.01523171
new construction large industrial (KT)	0.6 to 1.1	2.6300	2.4000	2.400000		0.01523171
new construction commercial (XT)	0.6 to 1.1	1.9800	1.4910	1.491000		0.00946270
new construction office building (YT)	0.6 to 1.1	1.9800	1.4910	1.491000		0.00946270
new construction shopping centre (ZT)	0.6 to 1.1	1.9800	1.4910	1.491000		0.00946270
commercial small scale on farm (C7)	0.6 to 1.1	1.9800	1.4910	1.491000		0.00946270
new const comm small scale on farm (X7)	0.6 to 1.1	1.9800	1.4910	1.491000		0.00946270
industrial small scale on farm (I7)	0.6 to 1.1	2.6300	2.4000	2.400000		0.01523171
new const ind small scale on farm (J7)	0.6 to 1.1	2.6300	2.4000	2.400000		0.01523171
<b>Subclass</b>						
res/farm farmland class I (R1)	1.0 to 1.0			1.000000	25%	0.00475991
residential taxable shared (RH)	1.0 to 1.0			1.000000	0%	0.00634655
commercial excess land (CU)	0.6 to 1.1	1.9800	1.4910	1.491000	0%	0.00946270
commercial vacant land (CX)	0.6 to 1.1	1.9800	1.4910	1.491000	0%	0.00946270
commercial farmland class I (C1)	0.6 to 1.1	1.9800	1.0000	1.000000	25%	0.00475991
commercial taxable shared (CH)	0.6 to 1.1	1.9800	1.4910	1.491000	0%	0.00946270
comm vacant land taxable shared (CJ)	0.6 to 1.1	1.9800	1.4910	1.491000	0%	0.00946270
industrial taxable shared (IH)	0.6 to 1.1	2.6300	2.4000	2.400000	0%	0.01523171
industrial vacant land shared (IJ)	0.6 to 1.1	2.6300	2.4000	2.400000	0%	0.01523171
industrial excess land shared (IK)	0.6 to 1.1	2.6300	2.4000	2.400000	0%	0.01523171
industrial excess land (IU)	0.6 to 1.1	2.6300	2.4000	2.400000	0%	0.01523171
large ind excess land (LU)	0.6 to 1.1	2.6300	2.4000	2.400000	0%	0.01523171
new constr industrial excess land (JU)	0.6 to 1.1	2.6300	2.4000	2.400000	0%	0.01523171
new constr industrial vacant land (JX)	0.6 to 1.1	2.6300	2.4000	2.400000	0%	0.01523171
new constr large indust excess land (KU)	0.6 to 1.1	2.6300	2.4000	2.400000	0%	0.01523171
industrial vacant land (IX)	0.6 to 1.1	2.6300	2.4000	2.400000	0%	0.01523171
industrial farmland class I (I1)	0.6 to 1.1	2.6300	1.0000	1.000000	25%	0.00475991
industrial farmland class II (I4)	0.6 to 1.1	2.6300	2.4000	2.400000	0%	0.01523171
shopping centre excess land (SU)	0.6 to 1.1	1.9800	1.4910	1.491000	0%	0.00946270
new constr comm excess land (XU)	0.6 to 1.1	1.9800	1.4910	1.491000	0%	0.00946270
new constr office bldg excess land (YU)	0.6 to 1.1	1.9800	1.4910	1.491000	0%	0.00946270
new constr shopping ctr excess land (ZU)	0.6 to 1.1	1.9800	1.4910	1.491000	0%	0.00946270

**TABLE TWO**

**TAX RATIOS, THRESHOLDS, AND RANGES OF FAIRNESS**



**TABLE THREE - COUNTY OF WELLINGTON**

**2022 ESTIMATED UPPER TIER TAX CHANGE  
NO CHANGE IN TAX RATIOS**

Property Class	Upper-Tier Tax Change			
	Revised 2021 Upper Tier Taxes	Current Tax Ratios	2022 Upper Tier Taxes	2022 Upper Tier Tax Change
Residential	\$ 85,956,445	<b>1.000000</b>	\$ 87,725,333	\$ 1,768,888
Multi Residential	\$ 1,024,383	<b>1.900000</b>	\$ 1,045,463	\$ 21,081
Commerical	\$ 9,279,543	<b>1.491000</b>	\$ 9,470,508	\$ 190,964
Industrial	\$ 6,392,118	<b>2.400000</b>	\$ 6,523,665	\$ 131,547
Farmland	\$ 7,826,229	<b>0.250000</b>	\$ 7,987,285	\$ 161,056
Landfill (PIL)*	\$ 8,091	<b>1.680000</b>	\$ 8,670	\$ 579
Pipeline	\$ 621,627	<b>2.250000</b>	\$ 634,419	\$ 12,792
Managed Forest	\$ 101,647	<b>0.250000</b>	\$ 103,739	\$ 2,092
<b>**Total**</b>	\$ 111,201,993		\$ 113,490,413	\$ 2,288,420

\*Landfill class is PIL therefore taxes have been removed from Totals\*

\*\*revised 2021 Upper Tier Taxes will be higher due to in-year growth & roll changes\*\*

**TABLE FOUR - COUNTY OF WELLINGTON**

**2021 Tax Ratio Comparison  
Wellington County and Neighbouring Municipalities**

<b>Municipality</b>	<b>Multi-Res</b>	<b>Commercial</b>	<b>Industrial</b>	<b>Farmland</b>
Grey County (Normandy Township/Southgate)	1.4412	1.2969	1.8310	0.2180
Dufferin (East Luther/Grand Valley/Orangeville)	2.0000	1.2200	2.1984	0.2200
Town of Caledon (Peel Region)	1.7223	1.3475	1.5910	0.1708
Halton Region (Milton/Halton Hills)	2.0000	1.4565	2.0907	0.2000
City of Guelph	1.7863	1.8400	2.2048	0.2500
City of Hamilton	2.4407	1.9800	3.2493	0.1767
Waterloo Region (Cambridge/Woolwich/Wellesley)	1.9500	1.9500	1.9500	0.2500
Perth County (Perth East & North Perth Twps)	1.2500	1.2469	1.9692	0.2500
Huron County *	1.1000	1.1000	1.1000	0.2500
<b>Neighbouring Average</b>	<b>1.7434</b>	<b>1.4931</b>	<b>2.0205</b>	<b>0.2206</b>
<b>Neighbouring Average (excluding Huron County) *</b>	<b>1.8238</b>	<b>1.5422</b>	<b>2.1356</b>	<b>0.2169</b>
<b>County of Wellington 2021 Ratio</b>	<b>1.9000</b>	<b>1.4910</b>	<b>2.4000</b>	<b>0.2500</b>
<b>2022 Wellington Proposed Ratios</b>	<b>1.9000</b>	<b>1.4910</b>	<b>2.4000</b>	<b>0.2500</b>

**2021 Tax Ratio Comparison  
Wellington County and Southwest Regions/Counties**

<b>County / Region</b>	<b>Multi-Res</b>	<b>Commercial</b>	<b>Industrial</b>	<b>Farmland</b>
Bruce County	1.0000	1.2331	1.7477	0.2500
Brant County	1.7000	1.9000	2.5500	0.2400
Dufferin County	2.0000	1.2200	2.1984	0.2200
Grey County	1.4412	1.2969	1.8310	0.2180
Halton Region	2.0000	1.4565	2.0907	0.2000
Huron County *	1.1000	1.1000	1.1000	0.2500
Oxford County	2.0000	1.9018	2.6300	0.2177
Peel Region (Brampton)	1.7050	1.2971	1.4700	0.2500
Peel Region (Mississauga)	1.2656	1.5170	1.6150	0.2500
Perth County	1.2500	1.2469	1.9692	0.2500
Waterloo Region	1.9500	1.9500	1.9500	0.2500
<b>Regional Average</b>	<b>1.5829</b>	<b>1.4654</b>	<b>1.9229</b>	<b>0.2360</b>
<b>Neighbouring Average (excluding Huron County) *</b>	<b>1.6312</b>	<b>1.5019</b>	<b>2.0052</b>	<b>0.2346</b>
<b>County of Wellington 2021 Ratio</b>	<b>1.9000</b>	<b>1.4910</b>	<b>2.4000</b>	<b>0.2500</b>
<b>2022 Wellington Proposed Ratios</b>	<b>1.9000</b>	<b>1.4910</b>	<b>2.4000</b>	<b>0.2500</b>

\* **NOTE:** Huron County underwent a complete reassessment during property tax reform in 1998. This resulted in lower than typical Provincially prescribed transition ratios.