



COUNTY OF WELLINGTON  
**NOTICE**  
**Open House**  
**and Public Meeting**



**TAKE NOTICE** that pursuant to section 26 of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, c.P.13 as amended, the County of Wellington will hold an Open House and Public Meeting to discuss proposed:

**Official Plan Amendment (OPA) No.126 - Urban Boundary Expansions**

**THE LAND SUBJECT** to the proposed amendment is in the entire County of Wellington and a key map is not provided. For convenience, a key map of specific lands in the Township of Centre Wellington is provided below.

**THE PURPOSE** and effect of proposed County Official Plan Amendment No.126 (OPA 126) is to revise the Official Plan as part of Urban Phase 3A of the County’s Official Plan Review. The proposed amendment would change, replace, delete or add policies and/or schedules related to the following key areas:

**County-wide**

- Address urban growth matters including intensification and density targets, phasing of new growth, agricultural impact mitigation, targeted 2024 Provincial Planning Statement updates, and other changes.
- Updated mapping for Sourcewater Protection Schedules as in approved Source Protection Plans and removal of policy duplication.

**Centre Wellington**

- Expansion of the urban area boundaries of Fergus and Elora/Salem and to identify new Designated Greenfield Area and Employment Area lands.
- Remove local planning policy for Community Planning Study Area.
- Remove Mineral Aggregate Resource Overlay related to urban expansions and buffer area.

**Greenbelt**

- Updated mapping for 2023 Provincially-expanded Greenbelt lands in Erin.
- Add policies to implement Provincial policy direction to maintain policy connections in the Greenbelt Plan to the Provincial Policy Statement (2020) and Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe (2019).

**OPEN HOUSE AND PUBLIC MEETING**

The Open House will be an informal opportunity to discuss OPA No.126, to ask questions of County Staff and identify additional planning issues that should be considered. The Public Meeting will be an opportunity to make formal submissions to the County of Wellington Planning Committee on proposed OPA No.126. The meetings are scheduled as follows:

OPEN HOUSE	PUBLIC MEETING
<b>Date</b> March 3, 2025	<b>Date</b> March 13, 2025
<b>Time</b> 6:30 pm	<b>Time</b> 10:30 am
<b>Format</b> Online	<b>Format</b> In Person
<b>How to Participate</b> To participate in the online Open House please register through the link provided on the project webpage: <a href="http://www.wellington.ca/planwell">www.wellington.ca/planwell</a>  To participate in the Open House by phone, you do not need to register and can join by calling the following number:  Dial +1 647 558 0588 followed by the Webinar ID: 630 2207 8134	<b>How to Participate</b> To participate in the Public Meeting registration not required.  <b>Location</b> The meeting will be held at the following location:  County Council Chambers Administration Centre 74 Woolwich Street Guelph ON N1H 3T9

Written Submissions

Please send any written submissions to the County of Wellington Planning and Development Department by email at [planwell@wellington.ca](mailto:planwell@wellington.ca) or by mail to the attention of Sarah Wilhelm, Manager of Policy Planning to the address below no later than **March 20, 2025** to be considered in the planning report. Please refer to file **No. OP-2020-01-04** when responding.

**IF A PERSON** or public body would otherwise have an ability to appeal the decision of the County of Wellington to the Ontario Land Tribunal but the person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the County of Wellington before the proposed official plan amendment is adopted, the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decision.

**IF A PERSON** or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the County of Wellington before the proposed official plan amendment is adopted, the person or public body may not be added as a party to the hearing of an appeal before the Ontario Land Tribunal unless, in the opinion of the Tribunal, there are reasonable grounds to add the person or public body as a party.

INFORMATION ABOUT APPEALS

In accordance with Section 17 (36.5) of the *Planning Act* there is no appeal of a decision where the Minister is the approval authority.

**IF YOU WISH** to be notified of the adoption of the proposed official plan amendment, or of the refusal of a request to amend the official plan, you must make a written request to Mr. Aldo Salis, Director of the Wellington County Planning and Development Department (address below).

**NOTE:** Any verbal or written comment/objection submitted to the County of Wellington regarding this application, which is being processed under the *Planning Act*, may be made public as part of the process.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Information about the details of the amendment, including mapping, is available for review on the County of Wellington website: [www.wellington.ca/planwell](http://www.wellington.ca/planwell).

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Dated at the City of Guelph  
this 13th day of February, 2025  
  
Aldo L. Salis, MCIP, RPP  
Director Planning and Development Department  
County of Wellington

KEY MAP Proposed Centre Wellington Changes

