## NOTICE OF A PUBLIC MEETING FOR THE OFFICIAL PLAN UPDATE FOR THE TOWN OF THESSALON

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that the Council for The Corporation of the Town of Thessalon will be holding a public meeting under Section 17 of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, C.P. 13 as amended, to inform the public of a comprehensive update to the Town's Official Plan. This meeting follows a public open house which was held on November 28, 2017.

A public meeting is being held in accordance with the requirements of the Planning Act to provide members of the community with an opportunity to provide comments on the draft Official Plan directly to Council.

## DATE AND LOCATION OF PUBLIC MEETING

Date: Monday, June 11, 2018

Time: 6:30 pm

Location: W. J. Barrett Chambers, 187 Main Street, Thessalon

## DETAILS OF THE PROPOSED OFFICIAL PLAN AMENDMENT

The following is a brief summary of the proposed changes to the current Official Plan:

- To establish a community vision and goals that form the basis for land use policy;
- To update the Official Plan mapping;
- To establish a population, housing and employment lands strategy and support the housing needs of an aging community;
- To establish new policies with respect to active transportation, wildland fire, topsoil removal, First Nation Communities, and lands covered by water;
- To establish current policy to recognize and protect key environmental features; and,
- To update the Plan to be current with Provincial Policy and the Planning Act.

Comments provided at this meeting will be considered by Council before the document is finalized for adoption. If Council for the Town of Thessalon adopts the new Official Plan, the document will be forwarded to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs (Sudbury) for approval as the Ministry is the approval authority for Official Plans.

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

There is no key map provided as the Official Plan is applicable to all land within the corporate boundaries of the Town of Thessalon, however, the draft Official Plan and its related mapping can be found on the Town's website at http://www.thessalon.ca/town-hall/official-plan.

The purpose of this meeting is to ensure that sufficient information is made available to enable the public to generally understand the mapping and policies that have been recommended for consideration by Council. Any person who attends the meeting shall be afforded an opportunity to be heard by Council. If you cannot attend this meeting, written submissions will be accepted by Council provided they are dated and signed.

If you wish to be notified of the decision of the Council for the Corporation of the Town of Thessalon in respect to the proposed Official Plan Amendment you must submit a written request (with forwarding addresses) to the Clerk-Treasurer of the Town of Thessalon.

If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to Council before the proposed Official Plan Amendment is adopted, the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decision of Council to the Local Planning Appeal Board.

If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to Council 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 Local Planning Appeal Board unless, in the opinion of the Board, there are reasonable grounds to do so.

The draft Official Plan and the existing Official Plan as well as related mapping and a Background Report is available to the public for review at the Town of Thessalon Municipal Office located at 187 Main Street, Monday to Friday between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. or by calling Ms. Pat Watson at (705) 842-2217.

Mailing Date of this Notice: May 16, 2018

Robert P. MacLean, Clerk Treasurer Town of Thessalon