



# Notice of Adoption of an Official Plan

## pursuant to subsection 17(23) of the Planning Act

**Take notice** that the Council of the Corporation of the United Counties of Prescott and Russell has passed By-law No. 2022-26 on the 28<sup>th</sup> day of September 2022 under Sections 17(22) and 26 of the Planning Act R.S.O. 1990, c.P.13, as amended, to adopt a new Official Plan for the United Counties of Prescott and Russell. The United Counties considered oral and written submissions from members of the public and agencies, which resulted in the creation of this Official Plan and in the end helped to make an informed recommendation and decision.

### **Purpose and Effect of the Official Plan**

The new Official Plan applies to all lands within the administrative boundaries of the United Counties of Prescott and Russell and accordingly no key map is provided. The new Official Plan will guide how and where the United Counties will grow to 2046. It will update and replace the Official Plan that was adopted by the United Counties Council in 1999. The Plan provides an updated policy framework and schedules for topics such as Resource Management, Growth Management, Natural Heritage, and Infrastructure by dealing with issues of Provincial, County, and local interest. The Official Plan will help to realize a long-term vision. The Official Plan has regard for matters of provincial interest and is consistent with the Provincial Policy Statement, 2020.

The new Official Plan will serve as the Official Plan for the United Counties of Prescott and Russell and functions as a local Official Plan for the local municipalities who do not adopt a local official plan.

### **Approval and Procedures**

The Official Plan will be sent to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing for approval. The Ministry may decide to approve, modify and approve as modified, or refuse to approve parts or all of the adopted Official Plan. Once the Ministry has made a decision on the Official Plan their decision is final. The Official Plan or parts of the Official Plan will not come into effect until the day after the Ministry has approved, or approved as modified, parts or all of the adopted Official Plan.

Any person or public body will be entitled to receive notice of the decision of the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the approval authority, if a written request to be notified of the decision (including the person's or public body's address, fax number or email address) is made to the approval authority at the following address:

Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing (MMAH)  
Municipal Services Office - East  
8 Estate Lane, Rockwood House  
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## **Additional Information**

The adopted Official Plan and Schedules are available for viewing online at: [http://en.prescott-russell.on.ca/services/planning\\_and\\_forestry/official\\_plan](http://en.prescott-russell.on.ca/services/planning_and_forestry/official_plan). The supporting materials are available for inspection at the address below. More information about this matter may be obtained by contacting the staff at the Planning and Forestry Department by email at [planning@prescott-russell.on.ca](mailto:planning@prescott-russell.on.ca) or by telephone at the number below.

## **When the Decision is Final**

The adopted Official Plan requires the approval of the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing. Following the decision by the Ministry, pursuant to Section 17(36.5) of the Planning Act, the decision will be final and not subject to appeal. A two-year moratorium will apply where no person or public body shall request an amendment to the new official plan before the second anniversary of the first day any part of the plan comes into effect.

Dated this 6<sup>th</sup> day of October 2022

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