File No.: 22-OP-230826 Date of Decision: July 31, 2025 Municipality: County of Dufferin Date of Notice: August 1, 2025

Subject Lands: All lands within Dufferin County

# NOTICE OF DECISION

With respect to an Official Plan Amendment Subsection 17(34) and 26 of the *Planning Act* 

A decision was made on the date noted above to approve, with 39 modifications, the County of Dufferin Official Plan Amendment 4, as adopted by By-law 2024-14.

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

The Official Plan Amendment updates the planning horizon and detailed land use policies of the County of Dufferin to be consistent with applicable provincial policies and plans. The Amendment updates the county's settlement area policies, natural heritage policies, infrastructure and servicing policies, transportation policies, cultural heritage and archaeology, housing, and energy policies, in addition to other policy areas. The policy updates will facilitate the implementation of the county's new land use and natural heritage schedules, which were approved in OPA 3 under phase 2 of the county's official plan review.

The 39 modifications to the Official Plan Amendment have been made to align the County's policies with the requirements of the *Planning Act* regarding consultations in the planning process, to ensure consistency with the Provincial Planning Statement (PPS, 2024), and to have regard for provincial interests set out in section 2 of the *Planning Act*.

The Official Plan Amendment applies to all lands within the County of Dufferin.

#### **Decision Final**

Pursuant to subsections 17(36.5) and (38.1) of the *Planning Act*, this decision is final and not subject to appeal. Accordingly, Official Plan Amendment 4 to the County of Dufferin Official Plan, as approved with modifications by the Minister, came into effect on August 1, 2025.

## **Other Related Applications**

None.

### **Getting Additional Information**

Additional information is available on the County of Dufferin website: <a href="https://joinindufferin.com/dufferin-county-municipal-comprehensive-review">https://joinindufferin.com/dufferin-county-municipal-comprehensive-review</a>

or by contacting the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing:

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