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Dear Messrs. and Mesdames,

Re: County Official Plan Amendment 131 – County File No.: OP-2020-01-05

County of Wellington - Rural Growth and Policy Updates

The County of Wellington is proposing to amend the County Official Plan to address requirements under Section 26 of the *Planning Act*. The Official Plan Review is being completed through a series of official plan amendments to bring the County Official Plan into conformity with Provincial land use plans, consistency with the Provincial Planning Statement and address other legislative changes.

PROPOSAL

Official Plan Amendment 131 (OPA 131) is the County's fifth official plan amendment under the Official Plan Review project and aligns the rural area policies with the 2024 Provincial Planning Statement (PPS) and completes Rural Phase 3B (rural growth) of the Official Plan Review. This amendment covers five key areas:

- 1. County-wide PPS Rural Area Policy Consistency
- 2. Erin Rural Residential Growth Re-allocation
- 3. Puslinch Rural Residential Growth
- 4. Puslinch Rural Employment Growth
- 5. Other Changes

I am requesting that you provide comments on the proposed amendment to the County of Wellington's Official Plan by **Wednesday**, **November 12**, **2025**.

MAKE SUBMISSIONS

Please review the proposed amendment and provide comments to the County Planning Department, to the attention of Mr. Aldo Salis, Director of Planning. Inquiries and written submissions about the application can be made to the County of Wellington's Planning and Development Department, telephone (519) 837-2600, ext. 2300; fax (519) 823-1694 or to the above address.

REQUESTING NOTICE OF DECISION

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 decision of the Corporation of the County of Wellington in respect of this proposed County Official Plan Amendment, you

must make a written request to the Director of Planning and Development, Corporation of the County of Wellington, 74 Woolwich Street, Guelph, Ontario, N1H 3T9.

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.

GETTING ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

The proposed amendment and additional information about the amendment are available:

- on the internet at: www.wellington.ca/planwell on the Official Plan Review webpage (under the Official Plan Amendments drop down menu) and Puslinch by Design-Employment Land Study | Planning
- or by contacting Sarah Wilhelm, Manager of Planning at (519) 837-2600 ext. 2130 or sarahw@wellington.ca

NOTE:

- 1) Your comments on the application are required on or before Wednesday, November 12, 2025.
- 2) If you have not submitted comments on the application on or before that date, it will be assumed that you do not have any concerns in respect of this matter.
- 3) A public meeting regarding this amendment will be planned in the future. Notification will be provided in accordance with the *Planning Act*.

Yours truly,

Aldo L. Salis, MCIP, RPP Director of Planning and Development