



Committee of the Whole

Meeting Date: October 24, 2023
Submitted by: Durk Vanderwerff, Director of Planning and Development
Subject: Ontario Land Tribunal Appeal of Lucan Biddulph Official Plan Amendment No. 10: Municipal Comprehensive Review and General Official Plan Update; File No. 39-LB-OPA10

BACKGROUND:

At the September 12th 2023 Council meeting, Amendment No. 10 to the Official Plan for the Township of Lucan Biddulph was approved subject to modifications. Amendment No. 10 would update the Township's Official Plan to reflect a Municipal Comprehensive Review / General Official Plan Update. The proposed changes would address matters of provincial interest, address the 2020 Provincial Policy Statement, align with the County Official Plan, and generally update the official plan. Notice of Council's Decision was given in accordance with the Planning Act and one appeal to the Ontario Land Tribunal (OLT) was received.

ANALYSIS:


The Record of Appeal has been compiled by staff and forwarded to the OLT. The OLT will therefore essentially act in place of County Council on the matters under appeal and the County Solicitor will represent the County in this matter.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

The extent of staff resources (Legal and Planning) to defend the County's decision is not yet known however it is anticipated that this will be accommodated within the approved budget.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIC FOCUS:

This report aligns with the following Strategic Focus, Goals, or Objectives:

Strategic Focus	Goals	Objectives
<p>Strengthening Our Economy</p> 	<p>Encourage a diverse and robust economic base throughout the county</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Create an environment that enables the attraction and retention of businesses, talent, and investments • Support the development and prosperity of downtown core areas in Middlesex County