



DEVELOP YOUR VISION FOR PETERBOROUGH'S FUTURE

COMMUNITY QUESTIONNAIRE

We have a once-in-a-generation opportunity to come together as a community to plan an inspiring future for Peterborough through the first full Official Plan Review in 36 years ("Plan It Peterborough"), with public direction and input being sought by City Hall.

The Official Plan is the vision and central document that guides city growth, development and land use, with detailed policies and maps. It can bring a community's dreams for the future into reality – for housing, safety, transportation, shopping, parks, good design, jobs, urban agriculture, and more. Required by the province, a city follows what is set out, or changed, in its Official Plan.

Our 8 questions and the Official Plan Review will help our community to:

- Study, evaluate choices, and plan for where and how people live, work and play
- Shape our city's future and create a livable, vibrant city with our own distinct identity
- Give a public voice and direction at an early stage for private development projects
- Balance competing views between positive change and protecting what we value
- Ensure provincial oversight of city directions and policies

These questions will help your group to think about and share your vision for our city's future. They will help you join with others in this important community discussion.

As citizens we share an important role and responsibility in shaping our community's future:

- What will Peterborough look like in 20 years?
- Who will be living here, and what will you and they be doing and need?
- How can we plan for the right jobs, social supports, environment, trails, businesses, transportation, utilities, building sizes and neighbourhoods?

Reimagine Peterborough is a citizen-led initiative to encourage meaningful and inspired engagement in the Official Plan Review. It is a movement to create, share, and engage together on a plan for a bright future amid 21st century challenges and opportunities.

Please send your suggestions and worksheet(s) to us at hello@reimagineptbo.ca. You can also email the City at planit@peterborough.ca. Stay connected to see how we compile your input to highlight Peterborough's connections and opportunities.

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YOUR VISION FOR PETERBOROUGH'S FUTURE

1. What Is Your Interest?

Define your interest and how big or wide it might be. Perhaps it is women's health (very broad), or cycling in the north end (narrow). Is it an activity, a specific group, a goal, or a certain place or geography?

2. What Do You Like Now?

Describe what you see or hear in the City that seems to be working. Who is doing it, where is it happening, why is it happening?

3. What Do You Want to See Happen?

Try to describe what you would like to see more of, where, and by whom. What kind of places, structures, activities, goals, targets, design or timing? What changes now or later would support your interest?

4. Are Other Places a Leader for Your Interest?

Consider other places and cities and what they are doing. Why does it work, what directions, policies, key organizations or institutions are involved? What examples are available to use as models here in Peterborough?

5. What Else is Connected to Your Interest?

Beyond your own interest, what is connected to it? What is the next wider circle of interest, who is involved, and what might benefit or be harmed by your interest?

6. What Would Conflict with or Undermine Your Interest?

Think about what might conflict with what you are trying to do. If something else is happening or might happen, how would it affect your interest? What might limit or contain this impact? How might your and that conflicting interest both succeed, and what might make such a win-win situation possible?

7. Who Would Support or Oppose Your Interest?

Again, think of who might be directly or indirectly supportive, or opposed, to your interest. Why? Could this be changed, and how, and when? Who might join you?

8. Are there Existing Policies?

Is there an existing government position, policy or practice of the City that relates to your interest? What does the city's Official Plan say now about your interest? Is there a need to update or improve these? Is there a current or upcoming process or project that could be part of bringing positive changes?

Check out the City's current Official Plan at:

<http://www.peterborough.ca/Assets/City+Assets/Planning/Documents/Official+Plan.pdf>

See the City's Official Plan Review process at:

http://www.peterborough.ca/Business/Studies/Official_Plan_Update.htm



REVIEW WORKSHEET

Name and Contacts:

Topic:

Questions

Your Topic Notes

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SAMPLE REVIEW WORKSHEET

Name and Contacts: JANE DOE J.DOE@GMAIL.COM

Topic: All Season Cycling for Commuters

Questions

Your Topic Notes

1. What and How Big Is Your Interest?

Define your interest and how big or wide it might be. Perhaps it is women's health (very broad), or cycling in the north end (narrow). Is it an activity, a specific group, a goal, or a certain place or geography?

Increase all-season cycling for commuting across all of Peterborough.

2. What Do You Like Now?

Describe what you see or hear that seems to be working. Who is doing it, where is it happening, why is it happening?

Existing cycling paths and on-street routes, good snow clearance. The City is beginning to implement safe cycling infrastructure. This is being driven by citizen demands.

3. What Do You Want to See Happen?

Try to describe what you would like to see more of, where, and by whom. What kind of places, structures, activities, goals, targets, or timing? What changes now or later would support your interest?

I would like to see more dedicated pathways, more protection on roadways and better snow clearance on cycling routes.

4. Are Other Places a Leader for Your Interest?

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The City of Toronto has made great strides in improving the feasibility of winter cycling by assigning more staff to snow clearance and upgrading dedicated cycling routes and policies

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Improved community wellness through exercise, better air quality through lower emissions, less traffic congestion. Public transit could be hurt by lower ridership, and new cycling-related businesses might be formed.

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If the City implemented more frequent public transit service and made this service free of charge, more people might be tempted to depend on buses and not use bicycles. A win-win solution might be found by integrating cycling with public transit -- making it a lot easier for cyclists to travel on buses with their bikes.

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Students and those who cannot afford to buy cars would be supportive, whereas older drivers who have not ridden a bike in decades might be reluctant and fearful of cycling, and want their tax dollars to go towards enhanced car traffic management, public transit or roads alone.

8. Are there Existing Policies?

Is there an existing government position, policy or practice that relates to your interest? Is there a need to update or improve these?

Planning documents are currently being prepared which might improve the all-season cycling infrastructure in town. The Transportation Management Plan should include a section on the enhancement of all season cycling for commuting.

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