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TOWNSHIP OF ESSA OFFICIAL PLAN PROGRAM STATUS UPDATE

While the Township's Official Plan of 2001 is functioning well and provides appropriate policy direction to address growth and maintain the quality of life expected by the Township's residents, we are in need of an update to bring the Official Plan in conformity with Provincial Policy and Growth Plan directions.

Considering recent legislative changes, The Essa Township Official Plan update has been put on hold while we engage with Provincial and Upper-tier Municipal stakeholders regarding the following:

- Ongoing Legislative Changes:
 - o Bill 109, More Homes for Everyone Act, 2022
 - o Bill 23, More Homes Built Faster Act, 2022
- County of Simcoe Municipal Comprehensive Review (MCR)
- Water and Sewer capacity and allocation

Official Plans are living documents and evolve based on emerging issues. Stakeholder conversations are currently ongoing and strategies are being developed.

The Township will provide continuous updates as the Official Plan Program evolves.

Please feel free to continue providing comments to the Township to the following email address:

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