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Wellington County Official Plan Review OPA 131

Wellington North Council Meeting
October 20, 2025

OPA 131- Rural Growth and Policy Updates

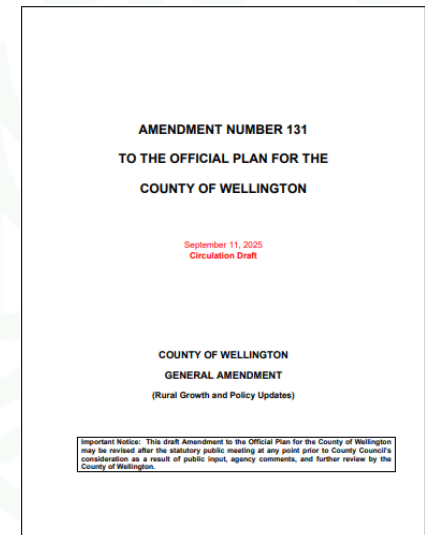


Background

OPA 131 is the fifth amendment of the County's phased Official Plan Review.

The purpose of this amendment is to align the rural area policies with the 2024 Provincial Planning Statement (PPS) and complete Rural Phase 3B 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



PPS Rural Area Policy Consistency

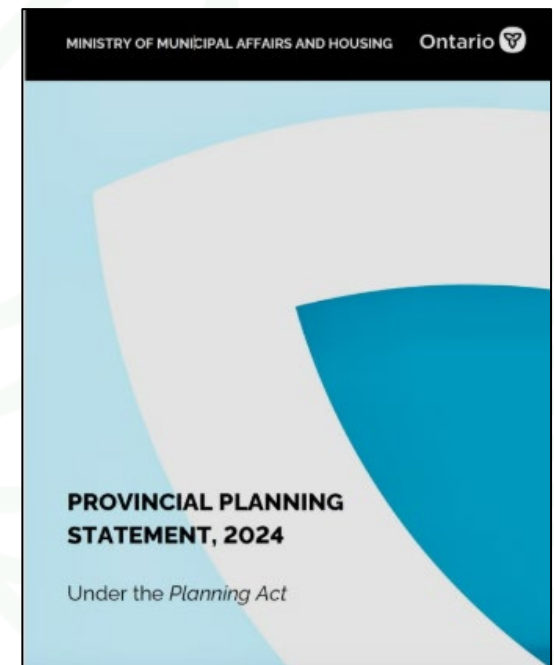


While dated, the County's current Agricultural policy framework has remained largely consistent with provincial policy requirements, despite successive changes and the new 2024 Provincial Planning Statement (PPS).

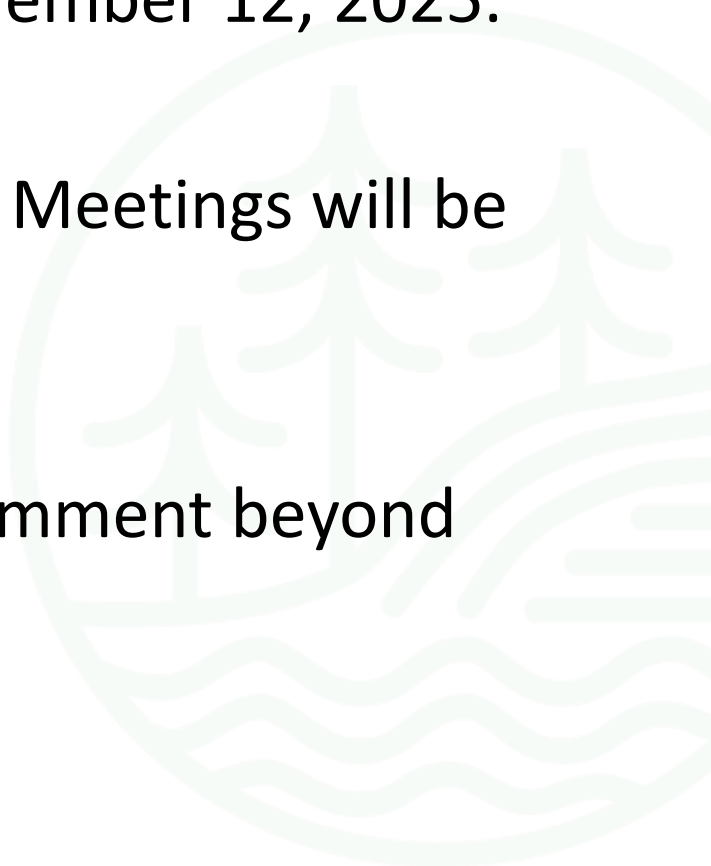
The Agricultural policies still require and would benefit from revisions to ensure consistency with current Provincial legislation, policies and guidelines.

Changes proposed in OPA 131 focus on:

- Aligning permitted uses in the prime agricultural area with PPS 2024.
- Incorporating an Agricultural Systems approach to rural planning in the County.
- Severance policy changes in the Prime agricultural area.
- Other policy revisions to clarify and improve outcomes in the agricultural area and consistency with the PPS.



Next Steps

- Agency Comment deadline is November 12, 2025.
 - Statutory Open House and Public Meetings will be scheduled early in the new year.
 - Public are welcome to provide comment beyond the noted comments deadline.
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