

Summary of Public and External Stakeholder Consultation for the Municipal Comprehensive Review (MCR) since October 2019

This Attachment includes two tables. Table 1 provides a summary of public consultation and stakeholder engagement by type from October 2019 to May 2021 for updating the York Region Official Plan (ROP).

Table 1: October 2019-May 2021 Summary of Public and External Stakeholder Consultation for Municipal Comprehensive Review (MCR)

TYPE	TIMEFRAME	ACTIVITY	DELIVERY METHOD	DESCRIPTION
General Public Engagement				
Public Engagement	Ongoing	MCR Webpage and Newsletters	Online Engagement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Webpages dedicated to the MCR and ongoing public consultation are available to the public through york.ca. These are updated regularly with MCR related initiatives and relevant York Region Official Plan topics to inform and educate the public • E-newsletters are emailed to subscribers and posted to york.ca as a formal communication tool to inform stakeholders about the technical updates and the consultation process for the MCR. All stakeholders can subscribe to receive the newsletter and get regular updates on local events and social media campaigns. Over 700+ subscribers regularly receive updates and are posted to york.ca

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Public Engagement	October 2019	Walk and Talk with York Region's Chief Planner	In-person Session	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A 'Walk and Talk' tour with York Region's Chief Planner held in Newmarket and attended by both Regional staff and local municipal staff • A continuation of the 'Walk and Talk' series previously held in other areas of York Region to educate the public on York Region's urban structure • Opportunity for residents to hear about what York Region and the Town of Newmarket are doing to promote complete communities and explore the planning context in the downtown area of Newmarket
Public Engagement	October 2019, February 2021	Wastewater Master Plan Open Houses	In-person and Online Sessions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regional Planning staff participated in open houses to coordinate engagement efforts and outline connections to the York Region Official Plan as part of York Region's commitment to integrated and transparent planning • Four sessions were held which included meetings and workshops with various stakeholders, partners, government agencies and the public • Feedback collected from these sessions is being used to inform sections of the York Region Official Plan Update and to develop York Region's Water and Wastewater Master Plan Update
Public Engagement	December 2019 - March 2020	Major Transit Station Area Open Houses	In-person Sessions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Three public open houses hosted by local municipal staff were held in Richmond Hill, Newmarket, and Vaughan to help gather public input on the Major Transit Station

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				<p>Area boundaries and density targets</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Feedback collected has helped to inform the refinement of boundary delineations, density targets, and potential Major Transit Station Area policies
Public Engagement	May 2019 - June 2020	Major Transit Station Area Interactive Map	Online Engagement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Online interactive map to inform stakeholders and the public about Major Transit Station Areas and gather input from participants Education tool used to highlight growth that is planned to occur along major transit corridors and used to support numerous interactive engagement efforts Feedback collected has helped to inform the refinement of boundary delineations, density targets, and potential Major Transit Station Area policies
Public Engagement	June 2020	Public Information Centre: Planning for Employment	Online Engagement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Planning for employment online public information centre used to engage with the public on the proposed employment area mapping and employment conversions Delivery methods included an online interactive map tool, survey, and interactive webinar Feedback gathered helped to inform the refinement of employment area mapping, input for employment conversions, policy directions and future updates to the draft York Region Official Plan
Public Engagement	September 2020 - November 2020	Public Information Centre: Agriculture and Natural Heritage Systems Planning	Online Engagement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Public engagement to inform and educate about agriculture and natural heritage systems planning and mapping, building on the Planning for Agriculture Background

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				<p>Report and Regional Official Plan Natural Systems Planning Background Report presented to Regional Council in June 2019 and June 2020, respectively</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Various delivery methods included an online pre-recorded webinar, interactive map, online survey, letters to stakeholders and landowner inquiries addressed by Regional planning staff • Feedback gathered was used for the refinement of agricultural and natural heritage systems mapping and to inform updates to York Region Official Plan policy directions and future updates to the draft York Region Official Plan
Public Engagement	March 2021 - April 2021	15 Minute Neighborhood Survey	Online Engagement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Online survey featured on york.ca to receive public input about communities across York Region based on the 15-minute neighborhood concept and measuring complete communities • Feedback will assist in the development of a complete community assessment tool and will help to inform future updates to the York Region Official Plan which will include complete communities as a core policy direction
Public Engagement	May 2021	York Region Official Plan Update Survey	Online Engagement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Engagement on Regional Official Plan policy directions reported to council in December 2020 and March 2021 • Gather public input about Regional Official Plan policy directions and raise awareness about the MCR process through social media and an online survey featured on

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Targeted Public Engagement				
Public Engagement	January 2020	Targeted Newcomers to Canada Engagement Session	In-person Session	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> An education session targeted to newcomers to Canada about the MCR process and updating the Regional Official Plan Regional planning staff delivered a presentation and held an interactive focus group session that took place in Richmond Hill to gather input from newcomers to Canada
Public Engagement	January 2020, March 2020	Targeted Senior Engagement Sessions	In-person Sessions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Education sessions targeted to seniors in York Region about the MCR process and updating the Regional Official Plan Regional planning staff delivered presentations and interactive focus group sessions that took place in Whitchurch-Stouffville, Georgina, and Aurora to gather input from seniors
Public Engagement	March 2020	Targeted Youth Engagement Session	In-person Session	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> An interactive focus group session targeted to youth in York Region that took place in Aurora and involved participants between the ages of 13 and 18
Local Municipal and Conservation Authority Engagement				
External Stakeholder Engagement	November 2019	Local Municipal and Conservation Authority Agriculture and Natural Heritage Systems Planning Workshop	In-person Session	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Held a workshop with local municipal staff and conservation authority staff about planning for natural heritage systems and agriculture that helped to inform the Regional Official Plan Natural Systems Planning Background Report presented to Regional council in June 2020 Discussions to date have helped to finalize agriculture and natural heritage systems

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				policy directions, mapping, policies, and updates to the future draft York Region Official Plan
External Stakeholder Engagement	November 2019	Local Municipal Employment Area Workshops	In-person Sessions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Held workshops with local municipal staff regarding planning for employment used to build on engagement outlined in the Update on Public Consultations for the Municipal Comprehensive Review Report presented to Regional Council in October 2019 • Included discussions about conversion criteria and options for employment area designations • Discussions were used to inform the Planning for Employment and Employment Conversions Report to Regional Council in March 2020, policy directions, mapping and updates to the future draft York Region Official Plan
External Stakeholder Engagement	November 2019 - December 2019	1:1 Meetings with Local Municipal Staff: Employment Conversions	In-person Sessions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 11 individual meetings with 9 area local municipalities to consult with planning staff regarding proposed employment area boundaries and site-specific conversion requests • Discussions were used to inform the Planning for Employment and Employment Conversions Report to Regional Council in March 2020, policy directions, mapping and updates to the future draft York Region Official Plan
External Stakeholder Engagement	November 2019 - May 2021	MCR Local Municipal Working Group	In-person and Online Sessions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Extensive collaboration with local municipal partners and opportunity to provide input on the MCR throughout all stages of the process

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ongoing consultation sessions between York Region staff and local municipal planning and Conservation Authority staff • 17+ sessions held including some joint sessions with local municipal staff and conservation authority staff • Feedback was collected on all major policy directions and used to inform the development of a future draft York Region Official Plan
External Stakeholder Engagement	October 2020	Local Municipal Housing Working Group	Online Session	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ongoing presentation and consultation sessions between York Region staff and local municipal planning staff • Local municipal staff provided input on the York Region housing portfolio • Discussions to date helped to inform updates to policy directions, housing policies in the development of the future draft Regional Official Plan and the Regional Official Plan Update Housing Challenges and Opportunities Report presented to Regional Council in January 2021
External Stakeholder Engagement	October 2019- May 2021	Local Municipal Major Transit Station Area Consultation	In-person and Online Sessions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10+ meetings were held with local municipal staff and used to build on engagement outlined in the Update on Public Consultations for the Municipal Comprehensive Review Report presented to Regional Council in October 2019 • Ongoing consultation with local municipal staff on boundary delineations and density targets, feedback will be used to inform final proposed Major Transit Station Areas

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External Stakeholder Engagement	March 2020	Natural Heritage System Mapping Consultation with Toronto and Region Conservation Authority and Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority	Online Sessions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Held meetings with conservation authority staff regarding natural heritage systems mapping. Discussions to date have assisted in the refinement of natural heritage system mapping, policy directions and updates to the future draft York Region Official Plan
External Stakeholder Engagement	May 2020, February 2021	MCR Consultation with Toronto and Region Conservation Authority	Online Sessions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provided a general MCR update to conservation authority staff to help inform policy and map updates to the future draft Regional Official Plan
External Stakeholder Engagement	September 2020-December 2020	1:1 Meetings with Local Municipal Staff: Agricultural Mapping	Online Sessions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Series of meetings were held to gather feedback from local municipal staff on proposed refinements to Provincial agricultural system mapping Discussions to date have assisted in the refinement of agricultural mapping, policy directions and updates the future draft York Region Official Plan
External Stakeholder Engagement	March 2020	1:1 Meetings with Local Municipal Staff: Natural Heritage Systems Mapping	Online Sessions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Series of meetings were held to gather feedback from local municipal staff on natural heritage systems Mapping Discussions to date have assisted in the refinement of natural heritage system mapping, policy directions and updates the future draft York Region Official Plan
External Stakeholder Engagement	October 2020	Local Municipal Forecast and Land Needs Assessment Consultation	Online Session	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provided an update on the Regional forecast and land needs assessment to local municipal staff and gathered input from local municipal staff to help inform the

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				2051 Forecast and Land Needs Assessment Report to Regional Council in March 2021, policy directions updates the future draft York Region Official Plan
External Stakeholder Engagement	April 2021-May 2021	1:1 Meetings with Local Municipal Staff: Forecast and Land Needs Assessment	Online Sessions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ongoing consultation with local municipal staff to receive feedback on proposed forecasts and land needs presented in the 2051 Forecast and Land Needs Assessment Report to Regional Council in March 2021
Building Industry and Land Development Association (BILD) Engagement				
External Stakeholder Engagement	December 2019, February 2020, March 2020, May 2020, September 2020, November 2020, January 2021, April 2021	York Region BILD MCR Advisory Committee	In-person and Online Sessions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Regional planning staff attended the York Region BILD MCR Advisory Committee and BILD York Chapter meetings on a regular basis, to provide updates on the MCR and related initiatives such as: Current MCR Initiatives and Schedule Updates MCR Public Consultation
External Stakeholder Engagement	June 2020, January 2021	BILD York Chapter Meetings	Closed Sessions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Co-ordinated MCR and Master Plan Updates MCR related Report Updates Update on Provincial Initiatives Employment Conversions and Employment Land Mapping Provincial Land Needs Assessment Methodology Major Transit Station Areas Planning for Density in New Community Areas Housing Agricultural Mapping

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Natural Heritage Systems Mapping Growth and Infrastructure Alignment
External Stakeholder Engagement	November 2019, December 2019, January 2020, February 2020, May 2020, January 2021	BILD Land Needs Assessment Technical Working Group	In-person and Online Session	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Regional Planning staff presented key directions of the York Region Forecast and Land Needs Assessment to the BILD Land Needs Assessment Technical Working Group
York Region Council and Committee Engagement				
Council Engagement	October 2019	Council Education Session: Vision 2051	In-person Session	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provided an education session to Regional Council regarding Vision 2051
Council Engagement	October 2019, December 2019, February 2020, September 2020, February 2021	Planning Advisory Committee Meetings	In-person and Online Sessions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Regional planning staff attended the Planning Advisory Committee meetings on a regular basis, to provide updates on the MCR and related initiatives such as: Current MCR Initiatives and Schedule Updates Implications of the new Provincial Plans and Regional MCR Workplan Growth and Infrastructure Alignment Planning for Population Update on Provincial Initiatives Major Transit Station Areas Endorsement Report Planning for Employment and Employment Conversions Report Housing Challenges and Opportunities Land Budget and Land Needs Assessment Results
Council Engagement	November 2019, January 2020	Agriculture and Agri-Food Advisory	In-person and Online Sessions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Regional planning staff attended Agriculture and Agri-Food Advisory Committee

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	September 2020, December 2020, January 2021, March 2021	Committee Meetings		<p>meetings on a regular basis, to provide updates on the MCR and related initiatives such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Agriculture and Agri-food Strategy Update • Draft Climate Change Action Plan Update • Current MCR Initiatives Update • Official Plan Agriculture Policy Directions Updates • Regional Official Plan Natural Systems Planning Updates
Council Engagement	March 2020	Council Education Session: Planning for Employment	Online Session	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provided an MCR update and education session to Regional Council regarding planning for employment
Council Engagement	March 2020, January 2021	Council Education Session: Forecast and Land Needs Assessment	Online Sessions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provided an MCR update and education session to Regional Council regarding the forecast and land needs assessment
Council Engagement	November 2020	Accessibility Advisory Committee	Online Session	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regional planning staff provided an update on the Municipal Comprehensive Review and integrating a diversity and inclusion lens in the updated York Region Official Plan

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Local Municipal Council				
Council Engagement	April 2021-May 2021	Presentation of Forecast and Land Needs Assessment to Local Municipal Councils	Online Sessions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> York Region staff provided presentation to local municipal councils about forecast and land needs assessment based on information presented in the 2051 Proposed Land Needs Assessment Report to Regional Council in March 2021
Other				
External Stakeholder Engagement	October 2019 - January 2020	Employment Conversion Landowner Meetings	In-person Sessions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Over 60+ site-specific landowner meetings held across 9 local municipalities and attended by local municipal staff between July 2019 and January 2020 Building on previous sessions that were mentioned in the Update on Public Consultations for the Municipal Comprehensive Review Report presented to Regional Council in October 2019 Provided Regional and local municipal staff with the opportunity to discuss staff's preliminary evaluation of their sites and for landowners to present additional information Comments were received from residents and business owners, including large employers, who identified issues of concern and expressed views on employment area conversions Feedback collected was considered by staff when finalizing recommendations for employment conversions

Table 2: May 2021 Onwards Summary of Upcoming Public and External Stakeholder Consultation for Municipal Comprehensive Review (MCR)

Extensive consultation will continue following the release of the draft ROP to adoption. Table 2 summarizes the upcoming public and stakeholder engagement on draft ROP from May 2021 until Q3 2021.

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General Public Engagement				
Public Engagement	Q2/Q3 2021	Public Information Centre: Housing and Growth Management Engagement	Online Engagement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public information centre will be based on housing and growth management using online engagement such as an open house, and other tactics including surveys or social media • Online engagement and consultation on proposed forecast and land needs assessment, coordinated with consultation on Master Plans and with proposed Regional Official Plan policy direction topic areas such as housing and growth management
Public Engagement	Q3 2021	Water and Wastewater Master Plan Open Houses	Online Sessions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regional Planning staff will participate in open houses to coordinate engagement efforts and outline connections to the York Region Official Plan as part of York Region's commitment to integrated and transparent planning • Building on previous sessions and open houses mentioned in Table 1 of this attachment, the final open houses for the Water and Wastewater Master Plan are scheduled for Q3 2021 and will present the preferred water servicing strategy and water and wastewater infrastructure solution under consideration

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Local Municipal and Conservation Authority Engagement				
External Stakeholder Engagement	Q2/Q3 2021	MCR Local Municipal Working Group	Online Sessions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ongoing consultation sessions between York Region, local municipalities, and conservation authorities to inform updates to the future draft York Region Official Plan
External Stakeholder Engagement	Q2/Q3 2021	1:1 Meetings with Local Municipal Staff: Forecast and Land Needs Assessment	Online Sessions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ongoing consultation with local municipal staff to receive feedback on proposed forecast and land needs presented in the 2051 Forecast and Land Needs Assessment Report to Regional Council in March 2021
External Stakeholder Engagement	Q3 2021	1:1 Meetings with Local Municipal Staff and Conservation Authority Staff	Online Sessions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Series of ongoing meetings to discuss draft Regional Official Plan direction and detailed outcomes of MCR Local Municipal Working Group meetings
External Stakeholder Engagement	Q3 2021	Local Municipal Major Transit Station Area Consultation	Online Sessions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ongoing consultation with local municipal staff building on previous sessions outlined in Table 1 of this attachment. Discussions about boundary delineations and density targets, with a focus on Jane Street Major Transit Station Areas Feedback will be used to inform proposed Major Transit Station Areas
Building Industry and Land Development Association (BILD) Engagement				
External Stakeholder Engagement	Q2/Q3 2021	BILD Meetings	Online Sessions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proposed 2051 Forecast and Land Needs Assessment Joint Municipal Comprehensive Review, Water and Wastewater Master Plan and Transportation Master Plan

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York Region Committee Engagement				
External Stakeholder Engagement	Q2/Q3 2021	Planning Advisory Committee Meetings	Online Sessions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Regional planning staff may attend Advisory Committee meetings to provide updates on the MCR and related initiatives
External Stakeholder Engagement	Q2/Q3 2021	Agriculture and Agri-Food Advisory Committee Meetings	Online Sessions	