

What Issues were identified?

Issues identified by staff, consultants and the project Steering Committee include the following:

- updating current population and demographic statistics and trends
- updating the vision for the Town's future and refining goals and objectives
- addressing the location and density of land use for residential, commercial, institutional and industrial development
- policies for affordable, supportive and rental housing
- improving walkability and cycling connections
- age-friendly community planning
- balancing the infrastructure needs of the community with rising costs and a desire for low taxes
- addressing legislative requirements and recent research into climate change, sea level rise, and water protection
- incorporating information from recent studies and neighbourhood plans

Who has been Involved?

The OCP update will be led by the Town's planning staff with the support of the experienced consulting team of Rob Barrs and Vince Verlaan and a Council appointed Steering Committee.

Why is the OCP Being Updated?

The OCP is a living document and as such must be updated from time to time to ensure it addresses emerging trends and issues.

The OCP Update will address key issues and emerging trends identified by Town staff, consultants and the project Steering Committee as well as some identified through public and stakeholder consultation. It will also consolidate and streamline information, making it simpler to read and use.

