

## Notice of Affordable Housing Community Improvement Plan Study Initiation

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### Background

The Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville is initiating the process of preparing a housing-focused Community Improvement Plan (CIP) under *Section 28 of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990*. This initiative is aimed at supporting the development of more affordable housing options within the community. It is being implemented as part of the Town's broader Housing Accelerator Fund (HAF) Action Plan.

The Affordable Housing CIP will establish financial and non-financial incentive programs to attract landowners, developers, non-profits, and community organizations to help diversify housing options in the Town and deliver units at a more affordable price point.

This initiative will utilize a portion of the Town's Housing Accelerator Fund (HAF) to identify opportunities to boost new housing supply through the development of targeted incentives and programs. The CIP study will explore and recommend the most effective strategies, programs, and tools to achieve the development of more affordable housing options. It will be done in alignment with the Town's Housing Strategy, Housing Needs Assessment and new Official Plan, in accordance with provincial legislation.

### Public and Stakeholder Engagement

The Town is committed to engaging with our communities throughout this process. We will provide opportunities for public input through workshops and surveys, encouraging residents, developers, community and not-for-profit organizations, and any other interested parties to participate and shape the project. Engagement and consultation will be done in a way that meets the requirements of the Planning Act and will include Statutory Open House and Public Meeting. For project updates, visit the [Affordable Housing CIP](#) project webpage.

### Project Timeline

The CIP study is anticipated to be conducted over a period of six months, with the final CIP expected to be completed and adopted by Council in December 2025. Broad based public engagement for the project is expected to commence in September.

### Contact Information

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This notice fulfills the requirements of the Planning Act and has been provided to the York Region, the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, and other relevant stakeholders including the Canadian Mortgage and Housing Corporation. Additional information regarding the Housing CIP Study will be available on the Town's [Affordable Housing CIP](#) project webpage.