

A Place to Grow: Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe

Summary of Key Policies Pertinent to Haldimand County

Forecasts for Haldimand

Population	64,000 (2041)
Employment	25,000 (2041)

These forecasts are to be used for planning and managing growth to the horizon of the Growth Plan – 2041

Growth Management

Majority of growth is to be directed to settlement areas that:

- have a delineated built boundary;
- have existing or planned municipal water and wastewater systems; and
- can support the achievement of complete communities.

Growth will be limited in settlement areas that:

- are rural settlements; and
- are not serviced by existing or planned municipal water and wastewater systems.

Establishment of new settlement areas is prohibited.

Within settlement areas, growth will be focused in:

- delineated built-up areas;
- strategic growth areas; and
- areas with existing or planned public service facilities.

Complete Communities

Support the achievement of complete communities.

Complete Communities are places such as mixed-use neighbourhoods or other areas within cities, towns, and *settlement areas* that offer and support opportunities for people of all ages and abilities to conveniently access most of the necessities for daily living, including an appropriate mix of jobs, local stores, and services, a full range of housing, transportation options and *public service facilities*. *Complete communities* are age-friendly and may take different shapes and forms appropriate to their contexts.

Settlement Areas = Urban Areas in the Haldimand County Official Plan

Settlement Areas = Delineated Built-up Areas + Delineated Greenfield Areas

Delineated Built-up Areas

Municipalities, such as Haldimand will, through the next municipal comprehensive review, establish the minimum percentage of all residential development occurring annually that will be within the delineated built-up area.

The intensification target in the Haldimand Official Plan is 32% of all new housing.

Municipalities may request an alternative target.

Designated Greenfield Areas

- achieve a minimum density target that is not less than 40 residents and jobs combined per hectare (16 residents and jobs per acre);
- minimum density target is to be measured over the entire greenfield area; and
- councils may request an alternative

Settlement Area Boundary Expansions

Must be based on a municipal comprehensive review

- demonstrate that sufficient opportunities to accommodate forecasted growth to the horizon of this Plan are not available through intensification and in the designated greenfield area;
- the proposed expansion will make available sufficient lands not exceeding the horizon of this Plan; and
- the municipal comprehensive review must consider all the policies of the Growth Plan.