



Committee Report

To: Warden Janice Jackson
Members of the Planning and Development Committee

From: Mark Paoli
Director of Planning and Development

Date: April 15, 2021

Re: The University of Guelph Additional Residential Units Research.

Staff Recommendation:

The University of Guelph Additional Residential Units Research.

Background:

The Plan the Bruce: Homes project has identified thirteen policy direction for consideration to increase the supply and mix of homes in Bruce County. One direction relates to policies that permit additional residential units in single-detached, semi-detached, and rowhouse dwellings and in an ancillary building to these dwelling types.

The Planning Act requires that Official Plans provide policies that permit additional residential units in these building types, subject to servicing considerations.

Staff partnered with a team of students from the University of Guelph School of Rural Planning and Development to advance research and policy directions to reduce barriers to additional residential units in Bruce County.

The attached presentation is the basis for the students' delegation which highlights their research findings. Next, the student team will complete a final report that will support initiation of the secondary units Official Plan Amendment - a separate item on this agenda.

Financial/Staffing/Legal/IT Considerations:

There are no financial, staffing, legal or IT considerations associated with this report.

Interdepartmental Consultation:

Human Services Department - the Housing Services Manager is engaged in discussion on opportunities to increase supply and mix of homes.

Link to Strategic Goals and Elements:

Goal 7 - Stimulate and reward innovation and economic development,
Element 'A' - Streamline and simplify our Planning Processes

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