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Bruce County Planning and Development
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Attn: Mark Paoli, Director, Planning and Development

Dear Mark,

Official Plan Review

In advance of the October 21, 2021 Bruce County Special Meeting to discuss the review of its Official Plan, the Township of Huron-Kinloss would like to provide comments with the recommended direction of one of the key discussion papers.

On Sept 16, 2021 the Planning and Development Committee endorsed the Plan the Bruce: Good Growth Discussion Paper as a foundation for developing policies in the new Official Plan. Of concern to the Township are the recommendations for defining Regional Market Areas, that land needs for municipalities be determined at the County level and that the expansion of settlement area boundaries will not need to be considered during the lifespan of this Plan.

The Township of Huron-Kinloss has achieved significant growth beyond predicted levels over the past 20 years. We have done this by taking land use planning approaches that emphasize the unique characteristics of the Township to provide opportunities and strategies in supporting businesses and residents.

Our concern with County's current direction in developing policies for its new Official Plan is that it could limit future flexibility in adopting local solutions to allow our community to continue to prosper and grow in a sustainable and resilient manner.

Please feel free to contact me if you wish to discuss further.

Best regards,

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