

WHITEHORSE 2040

OFFICIAL COMMUNITY PLAN REVIEW



The City of Whitehorse is undertaking a review of our *Official Community Plan*, through a process called **Whitehorse 2040!** The revised plan will set the future direction of our city over the next 20 years, until approximately 2040.

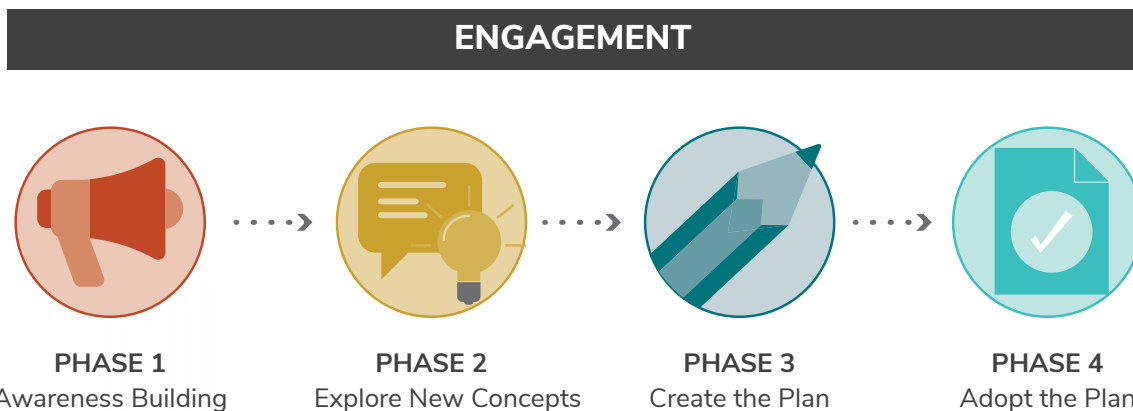
WHAT IS AN OFFICIAL COMMUNITY PLAN?

Our *Official Community Plan (OCP)* is the highest level planning document for the City. The plan focuses on land use, development, and conservation; however, it covers many other topics as well including housing, recreation, transportation, and relationships with other governments. The OCP contains policies to help guide the City. The OCP also provides direction to other City policies and regulations, such as the *Zoning Bylaw*.

While our OCP plans for a 20-year timeframe, reviews of the document occur every 8-10 years to account for changing circumstances and trends. The current OCP was adopted by City Council in 2010. Recognizing that cities change between each OCP review, amendments can be made through a bylaw process, making it somewhat of a “living document”.

WHAT'S THE PROCESS?

Whitehorse 2040 launched in November 2018 and will continue until 2020. The process will be split into four phases:



WHY DO WE NEED YOUR IDEAS AND INPUT?

Our OCP is a community-led plan that reflects the ideas and aspirations of Whitehorse residents for how they want to live, work and play. In the end, the new OCP will be adopted by Council, and in the years after that we will implement the new vision for 20 years of change and growth.

HOW DOES THE OCP FIT IN WITH OTHER RECENT PLANNING WORK?

The OCP is the City's overarching document that will incorporate other recent plans. The important work that has gone into plans such as the *Sustainability Plan*, *Downtown Plan*, *Transit Master Plan*, and *Parks & Recreation Master Plan* will not be duplicated, but rather will guide and be integrated into the new OCP. As an overarching policy document, the adopted OCP will override what's contained within these other plans if alternative solutions and ideas emerge through the process.

WHAT DOES AN OCP CONTAIN?

Some of the topics our new OCP will contain include:



WHERE CAN I GET MORE INFORMATION?

For more information on **Whitehorse 2040**, and to sign up for our e-newsletter for project updates, visit the project website at whitehorse.ca/ocp. Contact the OCP staff team at ocp@whitehorse.ca.

