

TOWNSHIP OF EDWARDSBURGH CARDINAL DISCUSSION ITEM

Committee: Committee of the Whole – Administration and Operations

Date: January 13, 2025

Department: Community Development and Planning

Topic: Agricultural Area Review – Municipal Review and Comments

Background: The Counties Manager of Planning Services provided a letter dated November 18, 2024, which informs local municipalities that the Counties Planning Advisory Committee (PAC), in consideration of the County Council's position, on the proposed Agricultural Area designation; has provided additional time for municipalities to review and comment on the draft recommended Agricultural Area Mapping prepared by Planscape, dated November 18th, 2024.

Municipalities have until January 15th, 2025, to provide comments to the County. The township has contacted the Manager of Planning Services and made them aware that the township will be providing comments on or before January 15th, 2025.

Members of Council and Township staff met in December 2024 to discuss the mapping and determined there should be proposed alterations to the mapping to remove areas for future growth and include additional lands which may protect existing and future agricultural lands.

A draft report (Exhibit A) has been prepared for the Committee's review and discussion prior to our submission to the County.

Tim Fisher, Municipal Land Use Planner