

### Refinements made to the Housing Strategy and Action Plan

The following is a list of refinements that were made to the Housing Strategy and Action Plan from the version presented to Council in July 2023. These updates are based on public input received, as well as a continued review of documents from the Federal Government, Province and Halton Region.

#### 1.0 INTRODUCTION

1. Updated list of key document which provide direction on housing and informed the HSAP, including the most up to date Region of Halton State of Housing Report (2023) and removing references to the Housing Accelerator Fund.

#### 2.0 SETTING THE STAGE

2. General updates to language in section 2.2 regarding housing targets, including recognition that the Halton Region Official Plan is now under the purview of the Town, as Halton Region is now an upper-tier municipality without planning responsibilities, as per the *Planning Act*.

#### 3.0 HOUSING SNAPSHOT

3. Section 3.1, Oakville's Housing Mix, has been updated to reflect the updated Regional Official Plan housing mix target and the Halton Region 2023 State of Housing Report.
4. Section 3.2 has been revised from "Recent Housing Development" to "Housing Completions", including an updated graph showing annual housing completions by housing type in Oakville to 2023. Data associated with Oakville's yearly building permits has been removed with a focus on "housing starts".
5. A new Section 3.3 – Housing Completions & Housing Targets, is added to contrast housing completions with growth targets.
6. A new Section 3.4 – Housing in Development, is added to reflect data provided in the 2023 State of Housing Report regarding housing starts and housing under construction, as well as year-to-date housing starts reporting for Oakville.
7. Section 3.4, renumbered to Section 3.5 – Unbuilt Housing, was updated to reflect more current data.
8. Section 3.5, renumbered to Section 3.6 – Affordability, was updated to reflect more current data, including Halton Region's 2023 State of Housing Report - Additional Information memo, presented to Regional Council September 18, 2024.
9. Section 3.6, renumbered to Section 3.7 – Rental Housing, was updated to reflect more current data.

### 4.0 GOALS & OBJECTIVES

10. Updated the objective under the goal 4, to include the word “livable complete communities”.
11. Updated the objective under goal 6 to include the word “environmentally and fiscally responsible.”

### 5.0 HOUSING OUTCOMES

12. Updated the housing outcome for “complete communities” to include the word “livable complete communities”.

### 6.0 ACTIONS & PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

13. All action items have been numbered for ease of reference.
14. All action items have been re-order under each goal by estimated timeframe.
15. Update timeframes and priority items throughout.
16. Revise action item 1.3 to include reference to a gentle density and/or missing middle strategy as part of the exploration of increased housing opportunities within the town’s residential areas.
17. Revise action item 1.5 to consider the incorporation of housing policies from the Halton Region Official Plan into Livable Oakville, as the Halton Region Official Plan is now under the purview of the town.
18. Revise action item 2.6 to include the “accessibility needs” and “seniors” as part of considering enhanced official plan policies that support innovative housing solutions.
19. Update the performance indicator under Action Item 5.4 regarding “Promote, support and partner with Halton Region, where appropriate, to implement Halton Region’s Comprehensive Housing Strategy and related strategic directions, initiatives, and updates thereto.” A new performance indicator to recognize the town’s participation in implementing strategic directions from the Region was added in response to public comments received (e.g. implementing a potential vacant home tax, which is being studied by Halton Region, to contribute to Halton’s Comprehensive Housing Strategy).
20. Remove action item regarding the definition of affordability proposed in the previous proposed draft version of the PPS 2020, as the new Provincial Planning Statement 2024 has been released and will replace the PPS 2020.
21. Add a new action item 6.2 to create a Housing Secretariate Office to implement the HSAP.
22. Include a new action item 6.5 regarding the Sheridan College Taskforce.

## **APPENDIX C**

23. Revise action item 6.17 to reflect departmental changes at Halton Region and update partnership opportunities.
24. Include a new action item 6.19 which speaks to working with the province to consider affordability and accessibility needs when making updates to the Ontario Building Code.

### **7.0 HOUSING ACCELERATOR FUND (HAF)**

25. Removed Section 7 of the HSAP in its entirety regarding HAF.