

Appendix I - Planning Act: Conformity Assessment to the New Official Plan (April 2018)

Relevant Section of the <i>Planning Act</i>	Section of the new Official Plan (April 2018) that addresses <i>Planning Act</i> matters of provincial interest. *
Part I, Section 2. Provincial Interest	
(a) the protection of ecological systems, including natural areas, features and functions;	Section 4.2 addresses the protection of ecological systems including natural areas features and functions. Additional policies are contained in Sections 8.4, 9.3 and 9.5.6.
(b) the protection of the agricultural resources of the Province;	Section 9.2 addresses the protection of agricultural resources.
(c) the conservation and management of natural resources and the mineral resource base;	Section 4.4 addresses water resources. Section 4.10 addresses mineral resources.
(d) the conservation of features of significant architectural, cultural, historical, archaeological or scientific interest;	Section 3.5 addresses cultural heritage resources.
(e) the supply, efficient use and conservation of energy and water;	Section 4.1 addresses energy efficiency. Section 6.1 addresses utilities including energy. Section 7.4 addresses sustainable design, including energy considerations.
(f) the adequate provision and efficient use of communication, transportation, sewage and water services and waste management systems;	Section 6.1 addresses infrastructure, including sewage and water systems. Section 6.2 addresses multimodal transportation. Section 6.3 addresses utilities including communications. Section 7.4 addresses sustainable design, including waste management.
(g) the minimization of waste;	Section 7.4 addresses sustainable design, including waste management.
(h) the orderly development of safe and healthy communities;	Sections 7.1, 7.2 and 7.3 address safety in the design of the built environment.
(h.1) the accessibility for persons with disabilities to all facilities, services and matters to which this Act applies;	Sections 7.1, 7.2 and 7.3 address accessibility to buildings and open spaces for people of all ages and abilities.

***Note: The Official Plan sections identified below are the primary sections that address matters of the provincial interest; however, there may be other policies in the Official Plan that further have regard for *Planning Act* matters of provincial interest.**

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(i) the adequate provision and distribution of educational, health, social, cultural and recreational facilities;	Section 3.2 addressed public service facilities and institutional uses and permits them in all designations with a few key exceptions.
(j) the adequate provision of a full range of housing, including affordable housing;	Section 3.1 addresses housing – supply, tenure, affordability and assisted and special needs housing.
(k) the adequate provision of employment opportunities;	Section 2.3.2 and Chapter 5 addresses the provision of a wide range of employment opportunities both within defined Employment Areas and throughout the municipality, including the rural area.
(l) the protection of the financial and economic well-being of the Province and its municipalities;	Section 6.5 addresses financial sustainability of the City and the Region. Subsection 6.5.2 d) provides direction on engaging in discussions with other levels of government on sustainable funding models, the use of innovative tools, the role of optimizing existing facilities and identifying those instances where a Financial Impact Analysis may be required.
(m) the co-ordination of planning activities of public bodies;	Policies throughout the plan acknowledge and identify the role of other agencies in decision making. An example is policy 6.1.2 a) that identifies that the Region of Halton is responsible for the planning, design, delivery and maintenance of municipal water and wastewater. An example of a coordination policy is found in subsection 12.1.2(1.2) where policy encourages preconsultation with other affected agencies such as the Region of Halton and Conservation Halton, where appropriate.
(n) the resolution of planning conflicts involving public and private interests;	Is addressed through the approval process as guided by the public participation and engagement and implementation and interpretation chapters of the plan.
(o) the protection of public health and safety;	Section 4.4 addresses water resources, including watershed management, natural hazards and stormwater management. Section 4.6 addresses land use compatibility.

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	<p>Section 4.7 addresses contaminated sites.</p> <p>Section 4.8 addresses former waste disposal sites.</p> <p>Sections 7.1, 7.2 and 7.3 address safety in the design of the built environment.</p>
(p) the appropriate location of growth and development;	<p>The new Official Plan presents an Urban Structure and Growth Framework along with the underlying land use designations which represents an intensification strategy for a built out municipality. Direction is provided in Chapter 2, Sustainable Growth and Chapter 8, Land Use Policies – Urban Area.</p>
(q) the promotion of development that is designed to be sustainable, to support public transit and to be oriented to pedestrians;	<p>Sections 6.2 addresses multimodal transportation and 7.4 addresses sustainable design.</p> <p>Sections 7.1, 7.2 and 7.3 address design that supports public transit and is oriented to pedestrians.</p> <p>Section 8.1 addresses the promotion of pedestrian-oriented, transit-supportive forms of development in Mixed Use Intensification Areas.</p> <p>Section 8.2 addresses the promotion of pedestrian-oriented, transit-supportive forms of development in Employment Lands.</p>
(r) the promotion of built form that, (i) is well-designed, (ii) encourages a sense of place, and (iii) provides for public spaces that are of high quality, safe, accessible, attractive and vibrant;	<p>Sections 7.1, 7.2 and 7.3 address the role of design in promoting a sense of place, excellence in design and safe, accessible, vibrant public realm.</p> <p>Chapter 8 addresses land use and development guidance.</p>
(s) the mitigation of greenhouse gas emissions and adaptation to a changing climate.	<p>Section 4.1 addresses climate change.</p>