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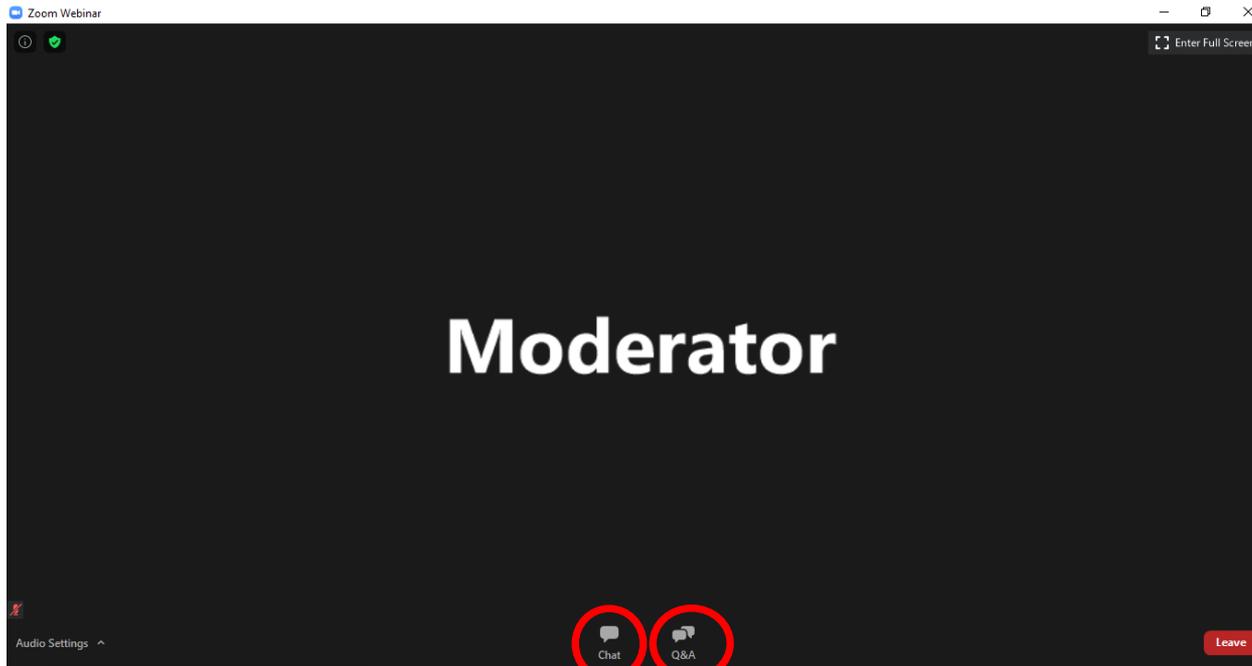
**Regional Official Plan Review
Regional Urban Structure
Public Information Session**



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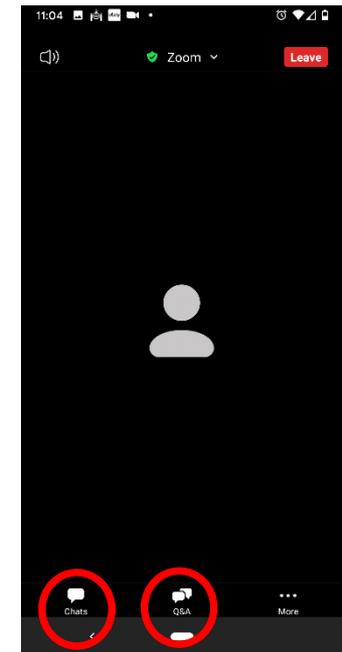


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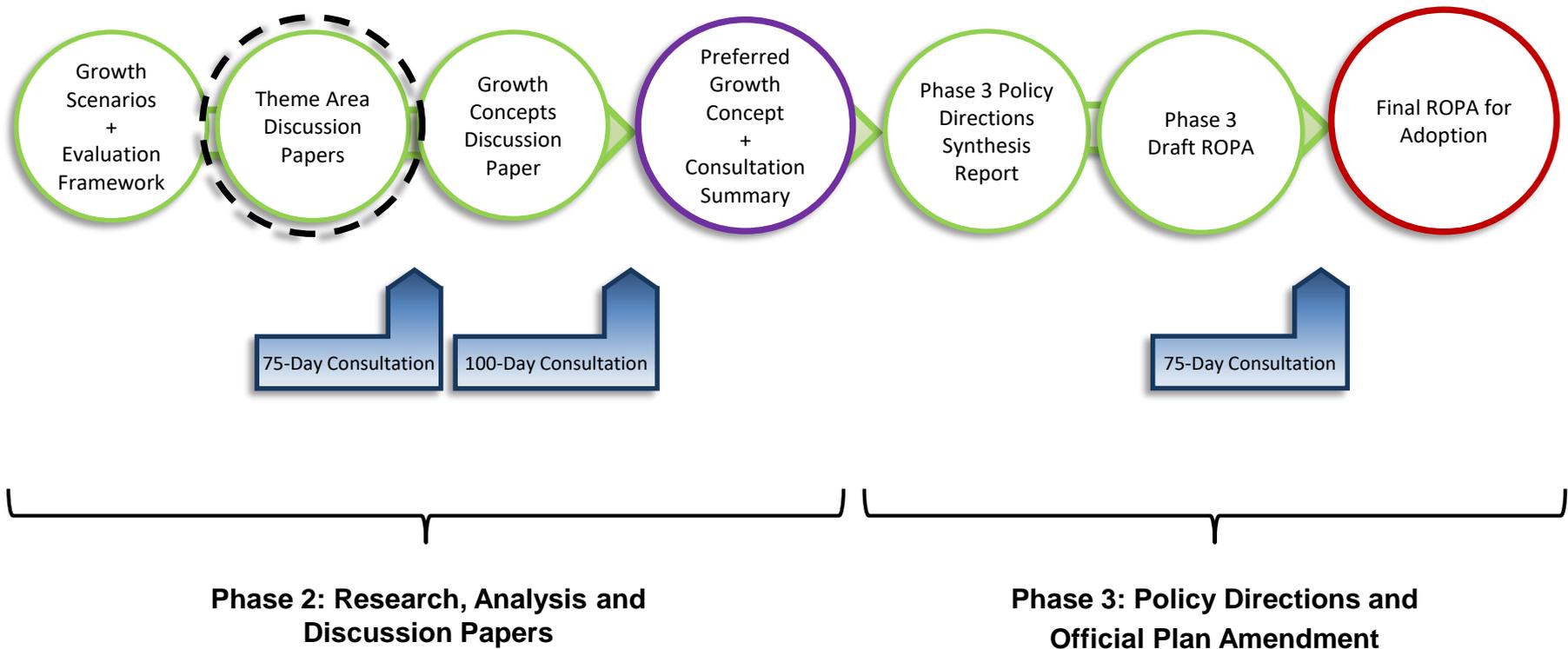
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Virtual PIC
September 10, 2020



Current Regional Official Plan Review Status



Community Engagement

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Participant Poll #1

Where do you live in Halton Region?

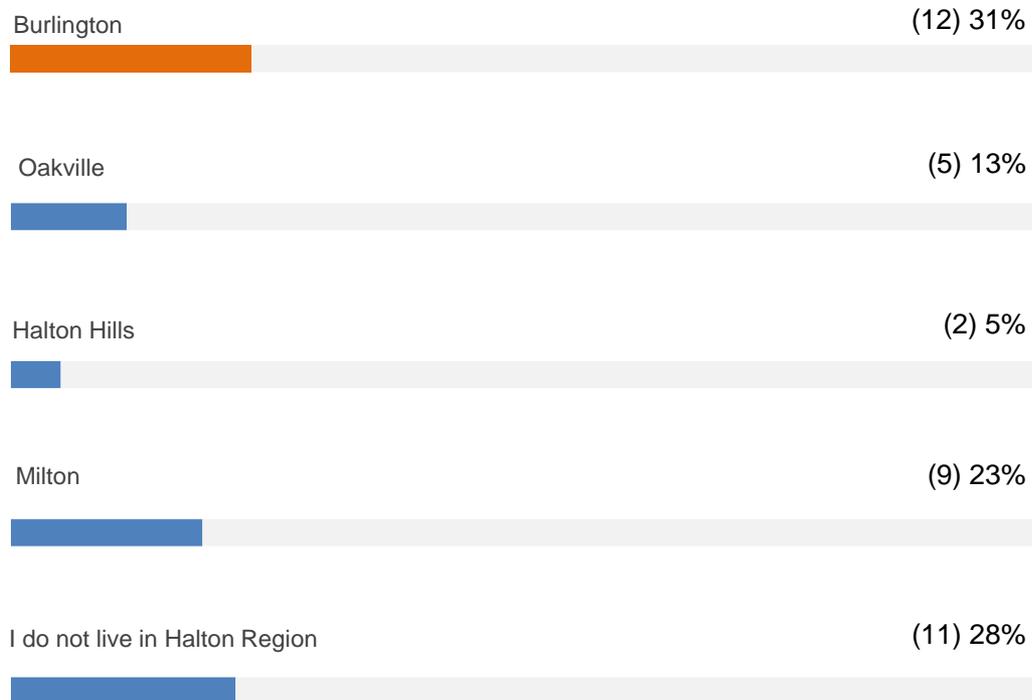
- a) Burlington
- b) Oakville
- c) Halton Hills
- d) Milton
- e) I do not live in Halton Region

What best describes your relationship with Halton Region?

- a) Resident
- b) Business Owner
- c) Member of the Development/Building Industry
- d) Non-Governmental Organization
- e) Local Municipal Government Partner
- f) Other

Participant Poll #1- Results

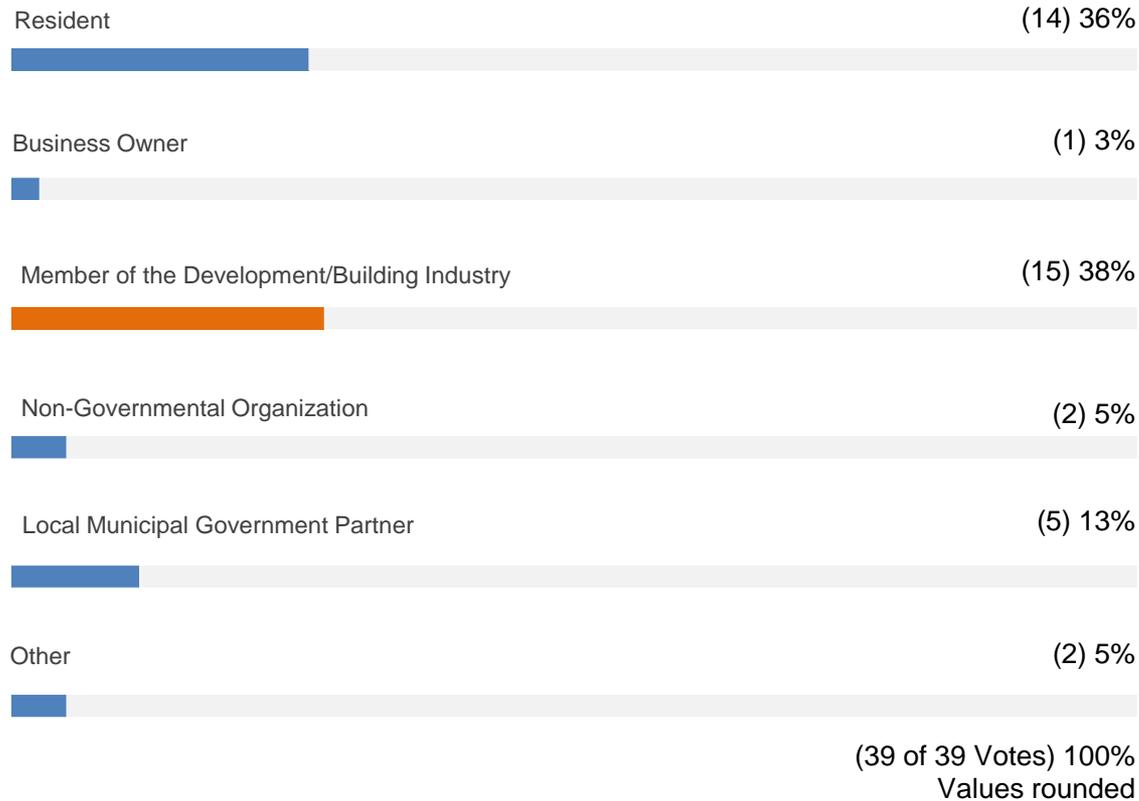
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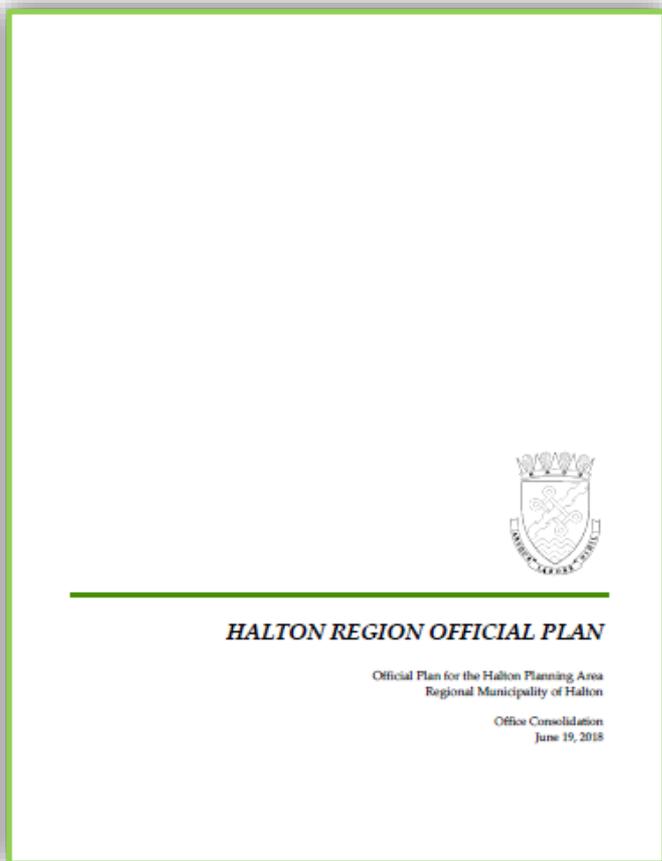
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Values rounded

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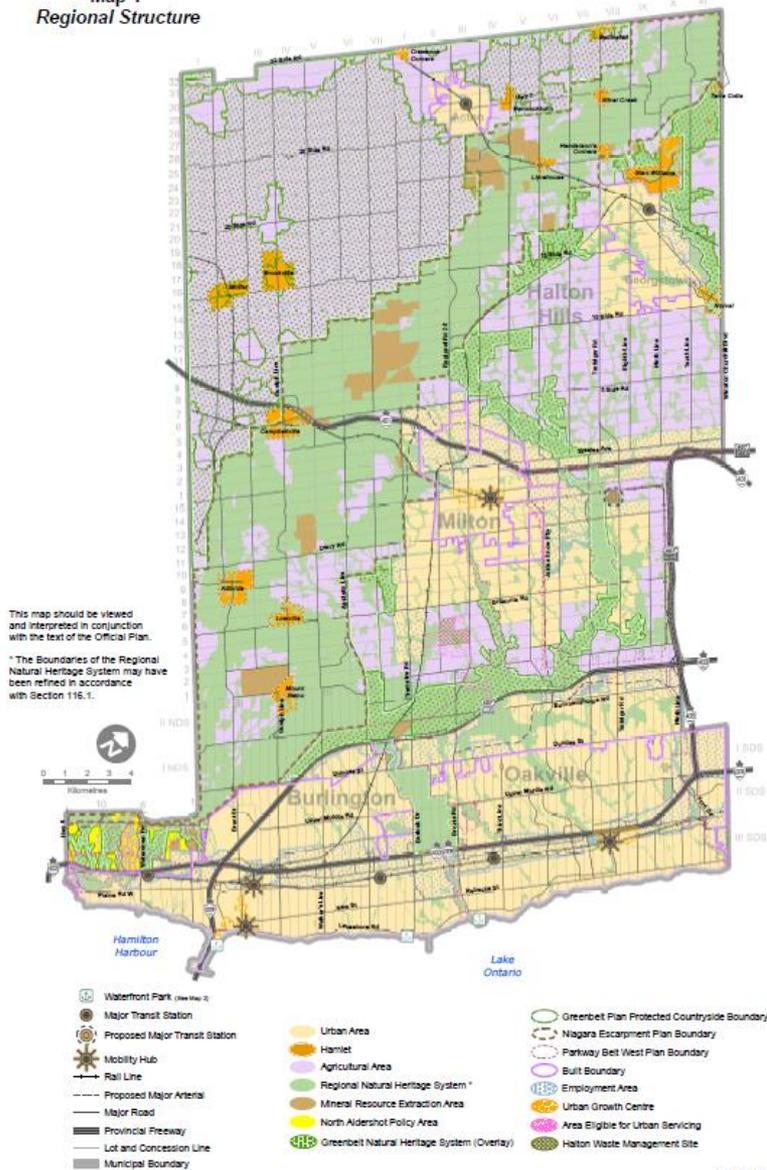


What is the Regional Official Plan?



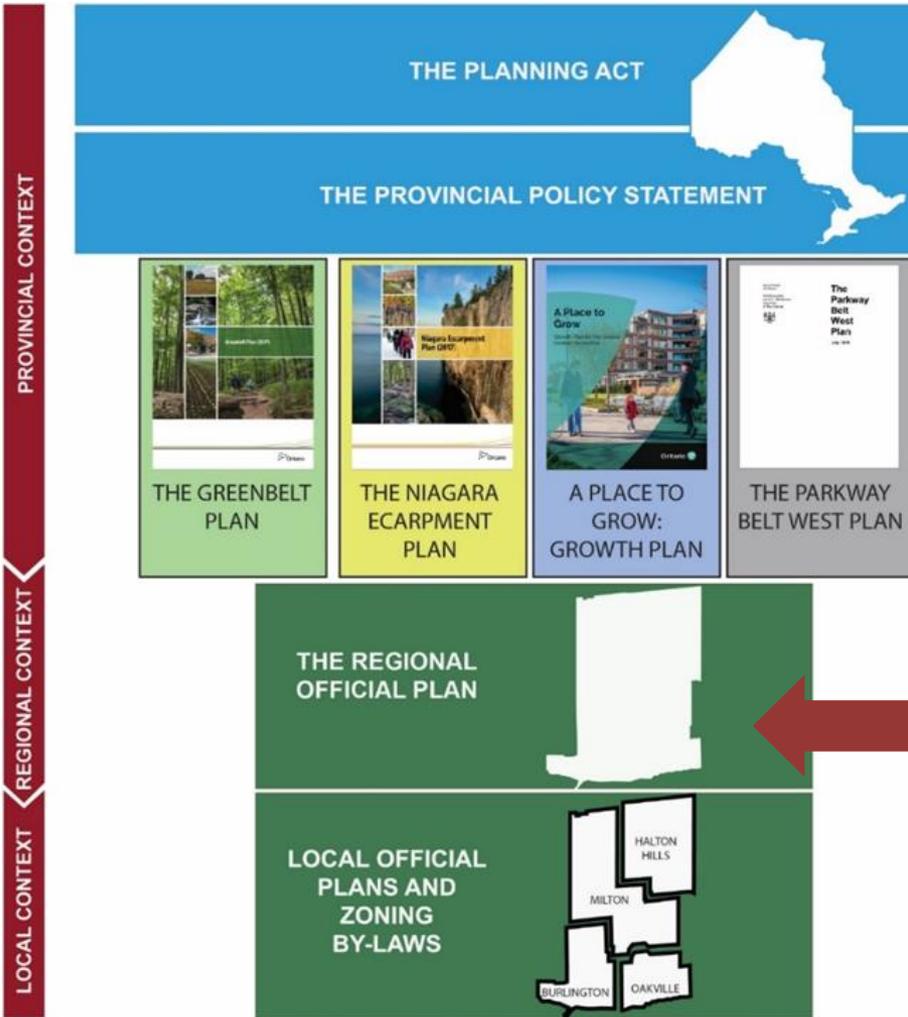
- Adopted by Council
- Long term Vision for Halton's physical form and community character
- Delivery of Regional services and responsibilities as set out in Planning Act, Municipal Act and other Provincial legislation

Map 1
Regional Structure



- Regional Structure implements Halton's land use planning vision
- Settlement Areas, Agricultural System, Natural Heritage System
- Provincial Plan Areas
- Province requires Halton to designate lands for future growth

Why Review the Regional Official Plan?



- The public plays an important role in the land use planning process.
- Your input helps Council make better decisions that affect your future.



Climate Change A Land Use Response

We are applying a “Climate Change Lens” to policies across the Regional Official Plan to affect the way we grow, move and live in Halton.



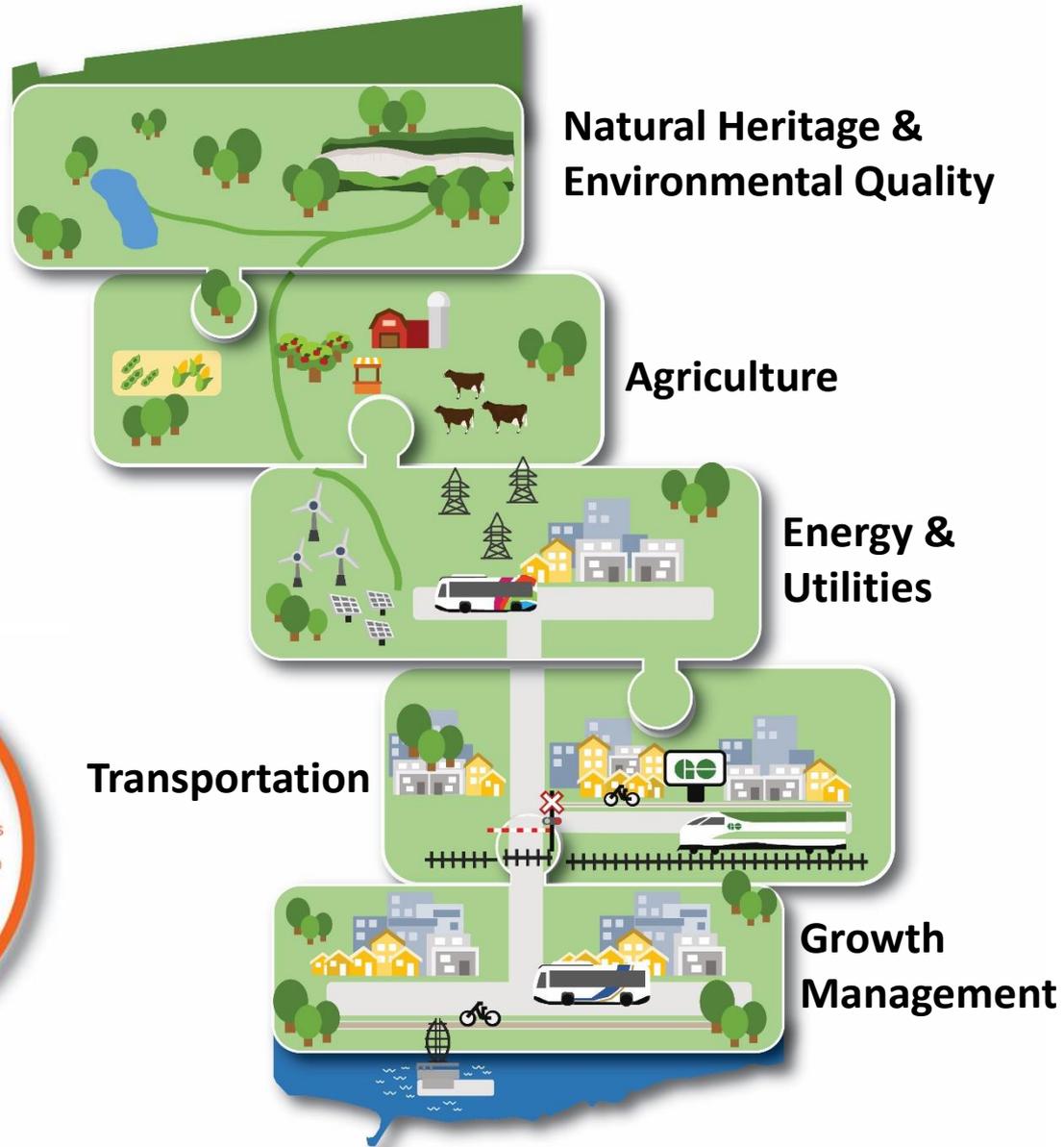
Adaptation

Climate change adaptation is the collection of actions taken to assist communities in responding to severe climate events, including preventing or minimizing the damage they can cause.



Mitigation

Climate change mitigation includes efforts undertaken to reduce or prevent emission of GHGs by using new technologies, renewable energies, compact built forms and active forms of transportation.



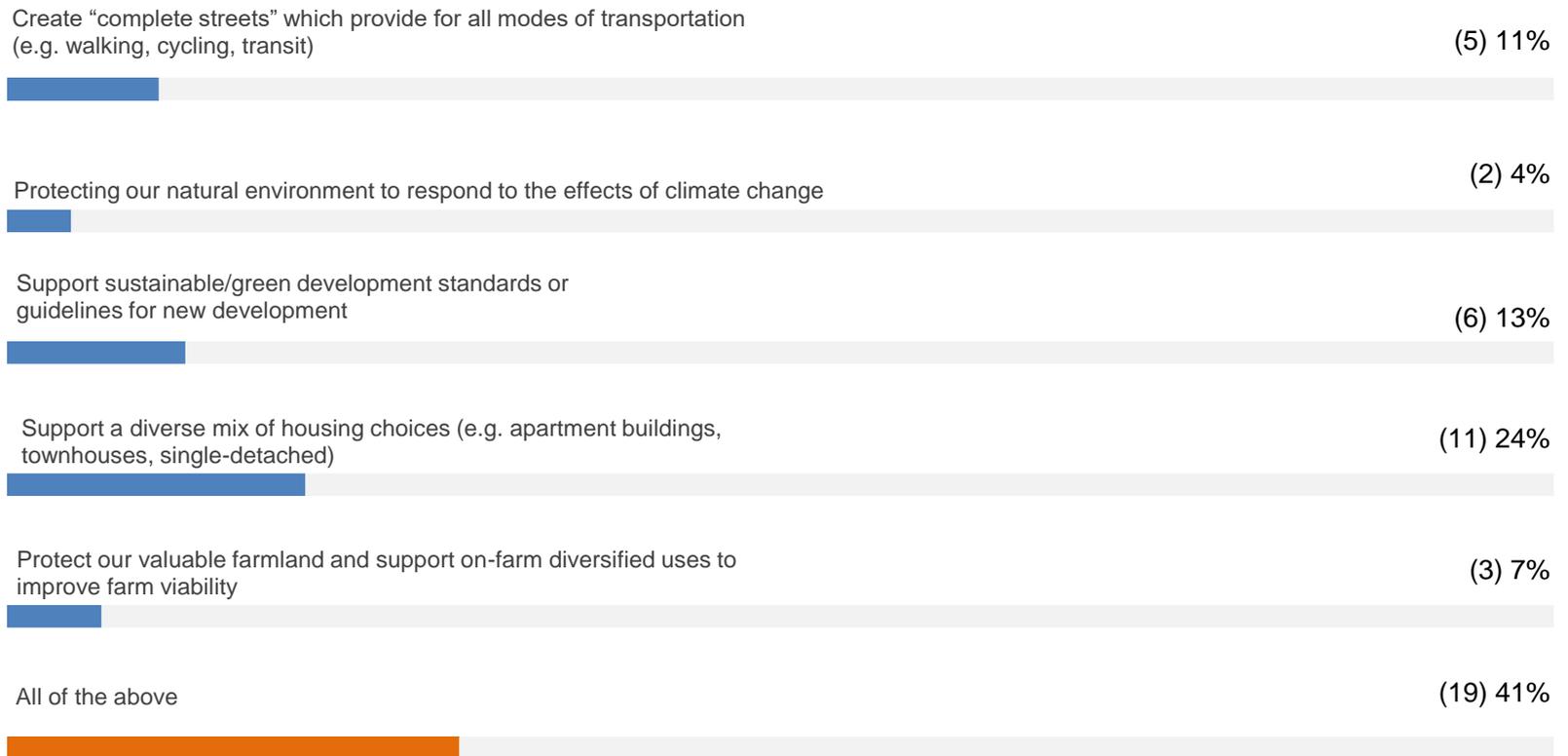
Participant Poll #2

**Land use is broader than Regional Urban Structure.
What do you think are important land use responses that
Halton Region can take to address climate change?
(Multiple Choice)**

- a) Create “complete streets” which provide for all modes of transportation (e.g. walking, cycling, transit)
- b) Protecting our natural environment to respond to the effects of climate change
- c) Support sustainable/green development standards or guidelines for new development
- d) Support a diverse mix of housing choices (e.g. apartment buildings, townhouses, single-detached)
- e) Protect our valuable farmland and support on-farm diversified uses to improve farm viability
- f) All of the above

Participant Poll #2 - Results

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What do you think are important land use responses that Halton Region can take to address climate change? (Multiple Choice)**



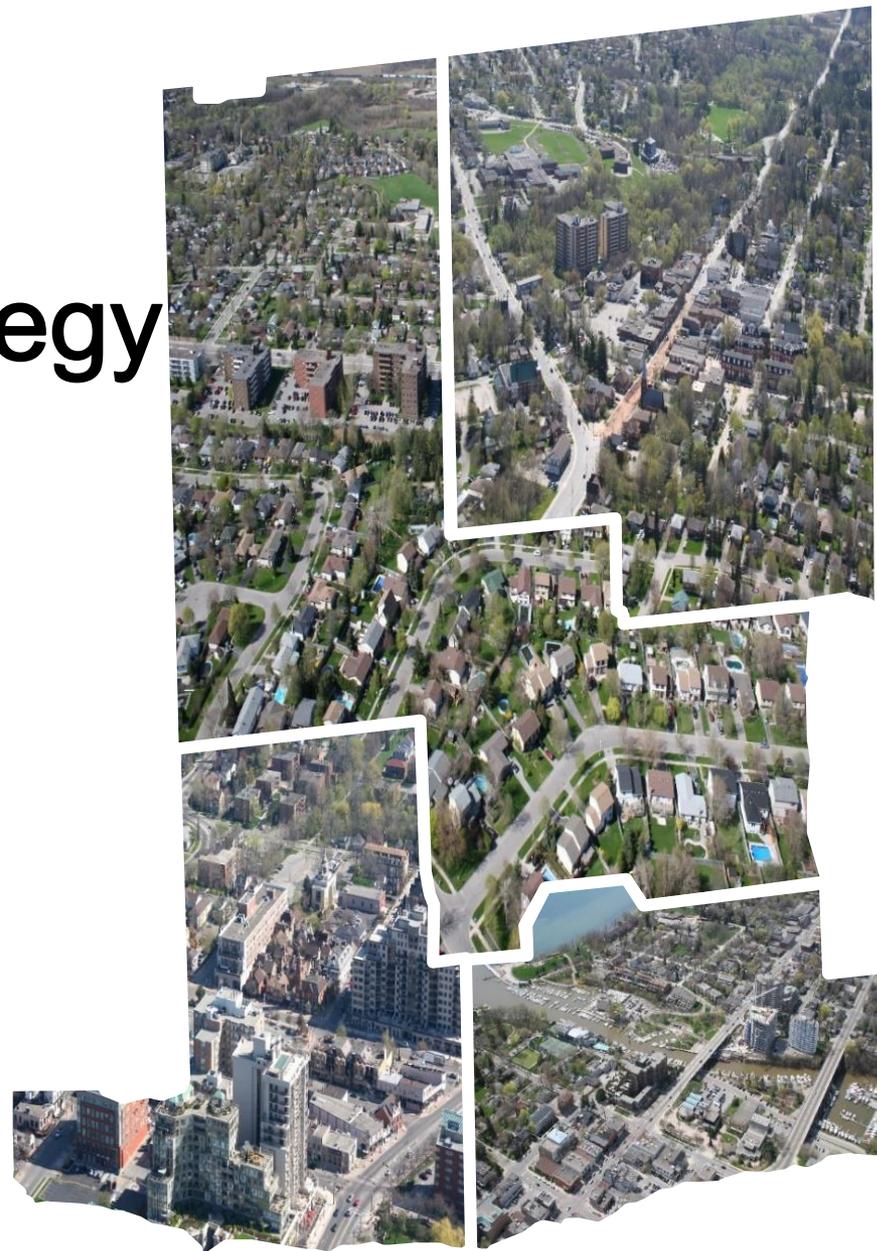
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Integrated Growth Management Strategy

Regional Urban Structure

Phase 2 Discussion Paper



Why an Integrated Growth Management Strategy matters?



INTEGRATED GROWTH
MANAGEMENT STRATEGY

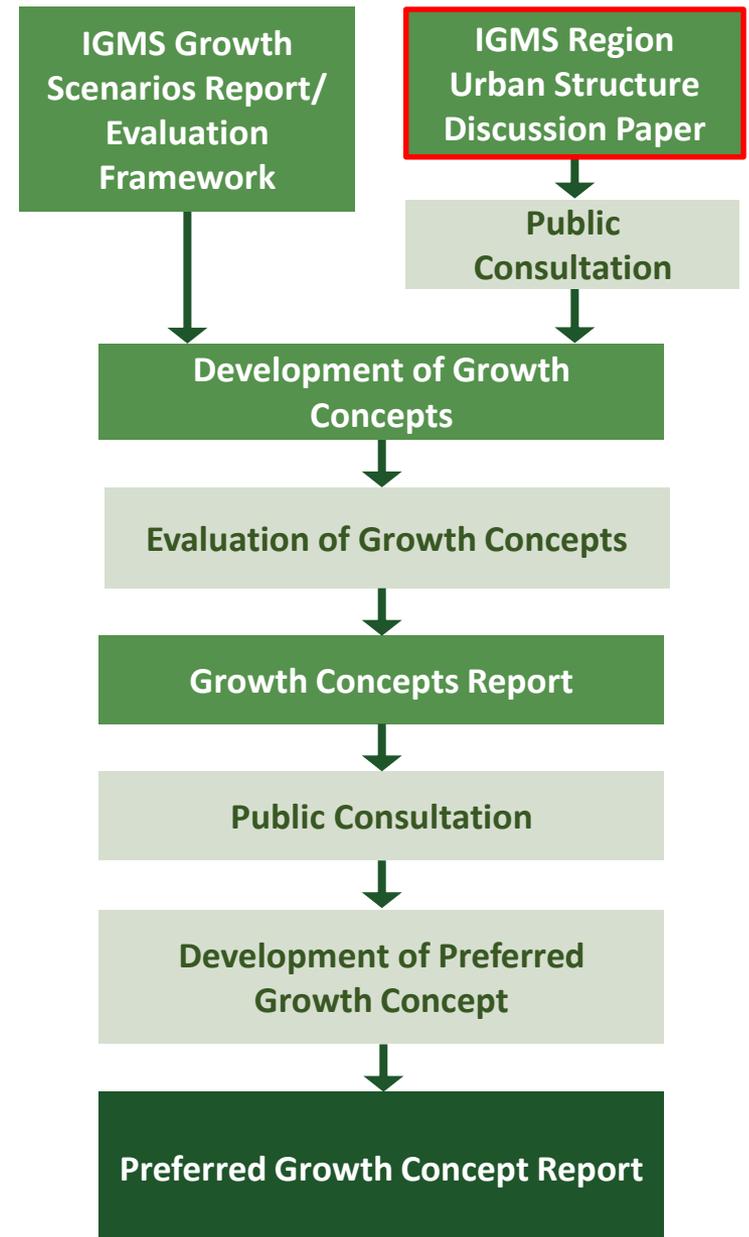
- How the Region plans for growth impacts livability of cities and delivery of public services
- IGMS considers:
 - climate change,
 - natural environment,
 - housing needs,
 - efficient use of land,
 - employment,
 - transportation and water/wastewater infrastructure, and,
 - financial impacts
- IGMS will guide an update to the Regional Official Plan

IGMS Background

Regional Urban Structure

The Regional Urban Structure Discussion Paper is the second in a series of four IGMS reports:

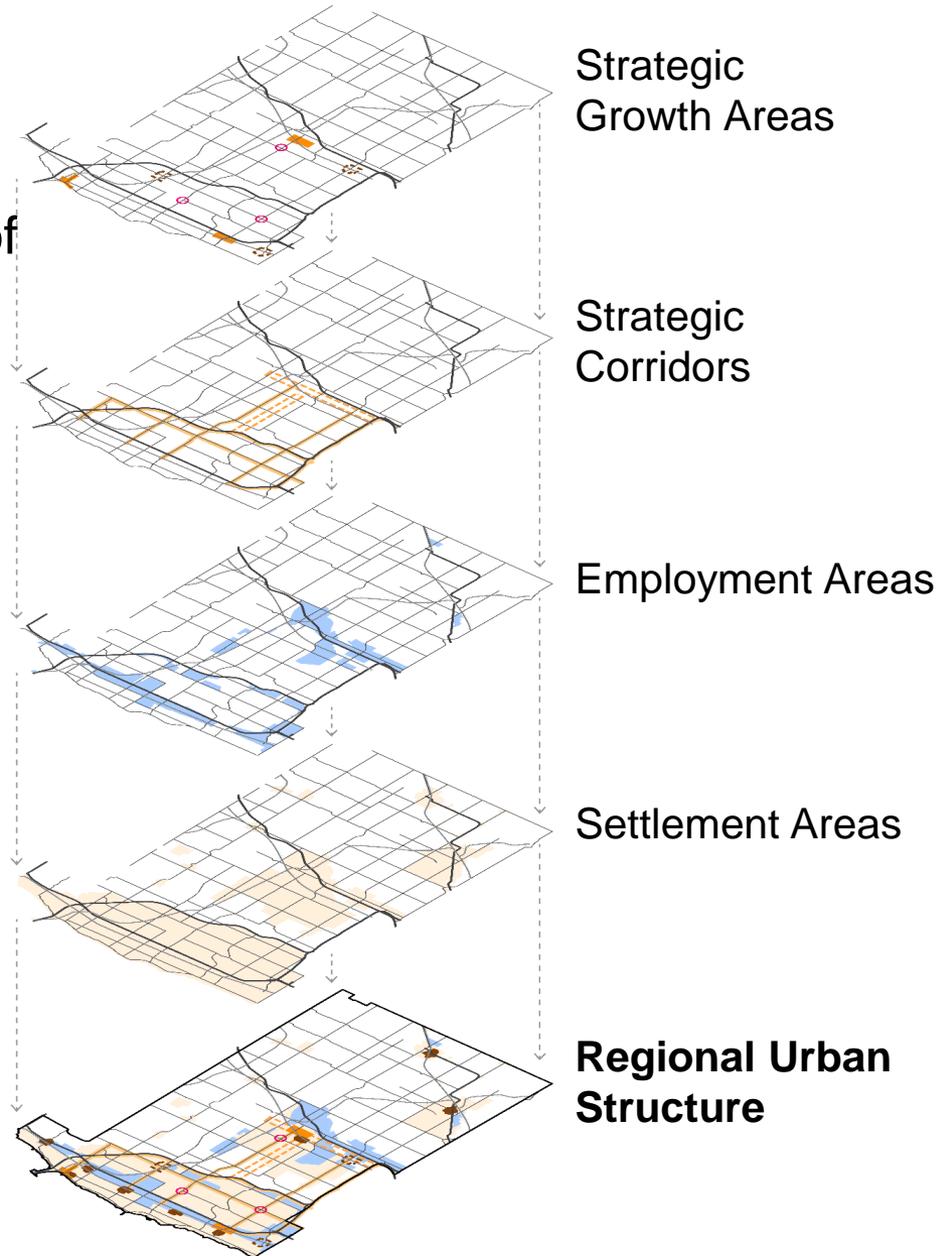
- Growth Scenarios: Halton Region to 2041 (June 2019)
- **Regional Urban Structure Discussion Paper (July 2020)**
- Growth Concepts (pending)
- Preferred Growth Concept (pending)



Objectives

Regional Urban Structure

- Policy context and requirements of Growth Plan (2019)
- Current Regional Structure, and development of a proposed Regional Urban Structure
- Obtain feedback on the elements of the proposed Regional Urban Structure
- Inform the development and evaluation of Growth Concepts



Growth Plan Requirements

Regional Urban Structure

- Integrated planning to accommodate population and employment forecasts in Provincial Growth Plan
- Intensification Strategy with targets
- Designate all Employment Areas and establish density targets
- Assess need and location for settlement boundary expansion



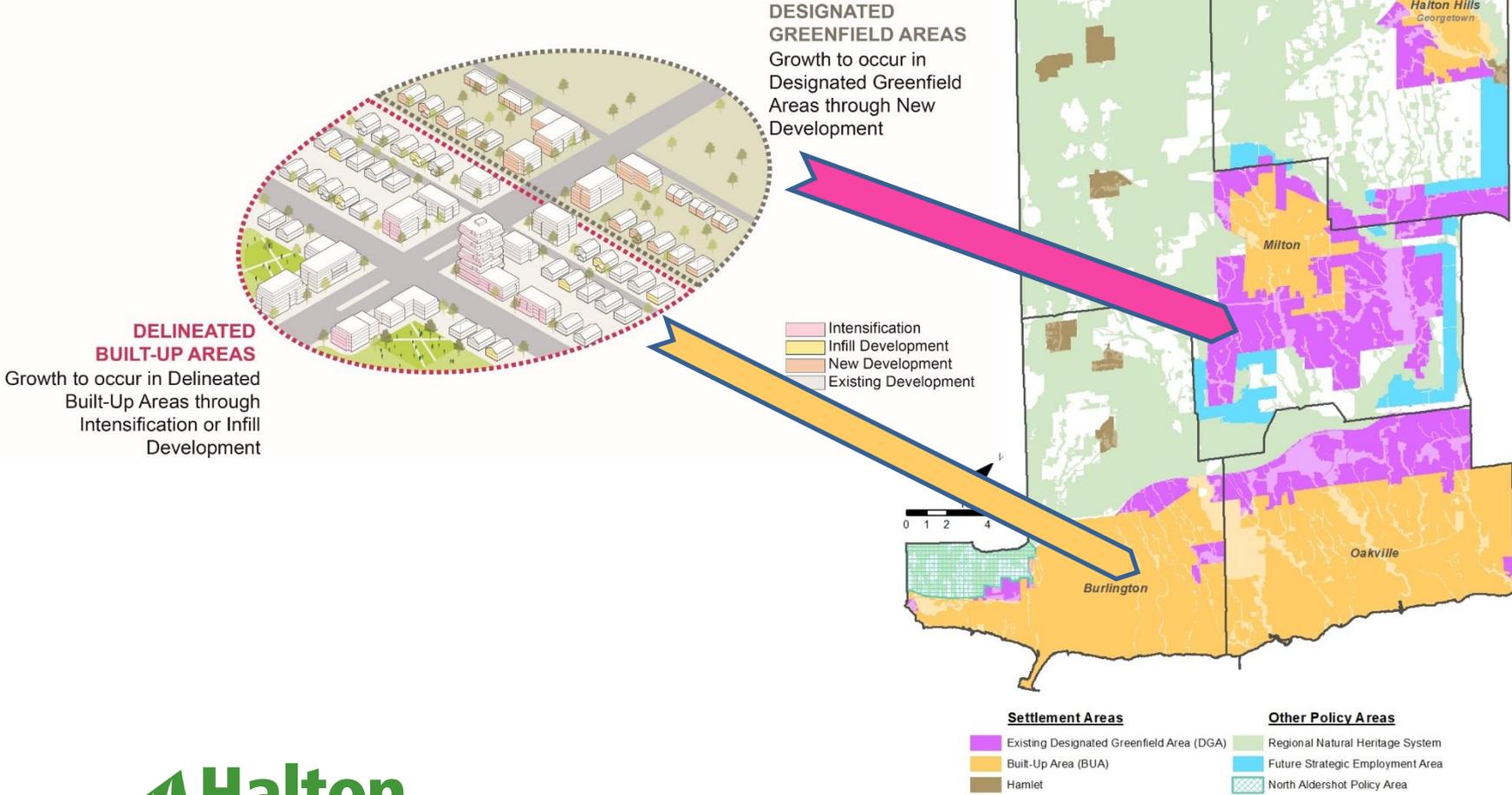
1.1 million
People by 2051 must be
planned for per the
Growth Plan



500 thousand
Jobs by 2051
must be planned for
per the
Growth Plan

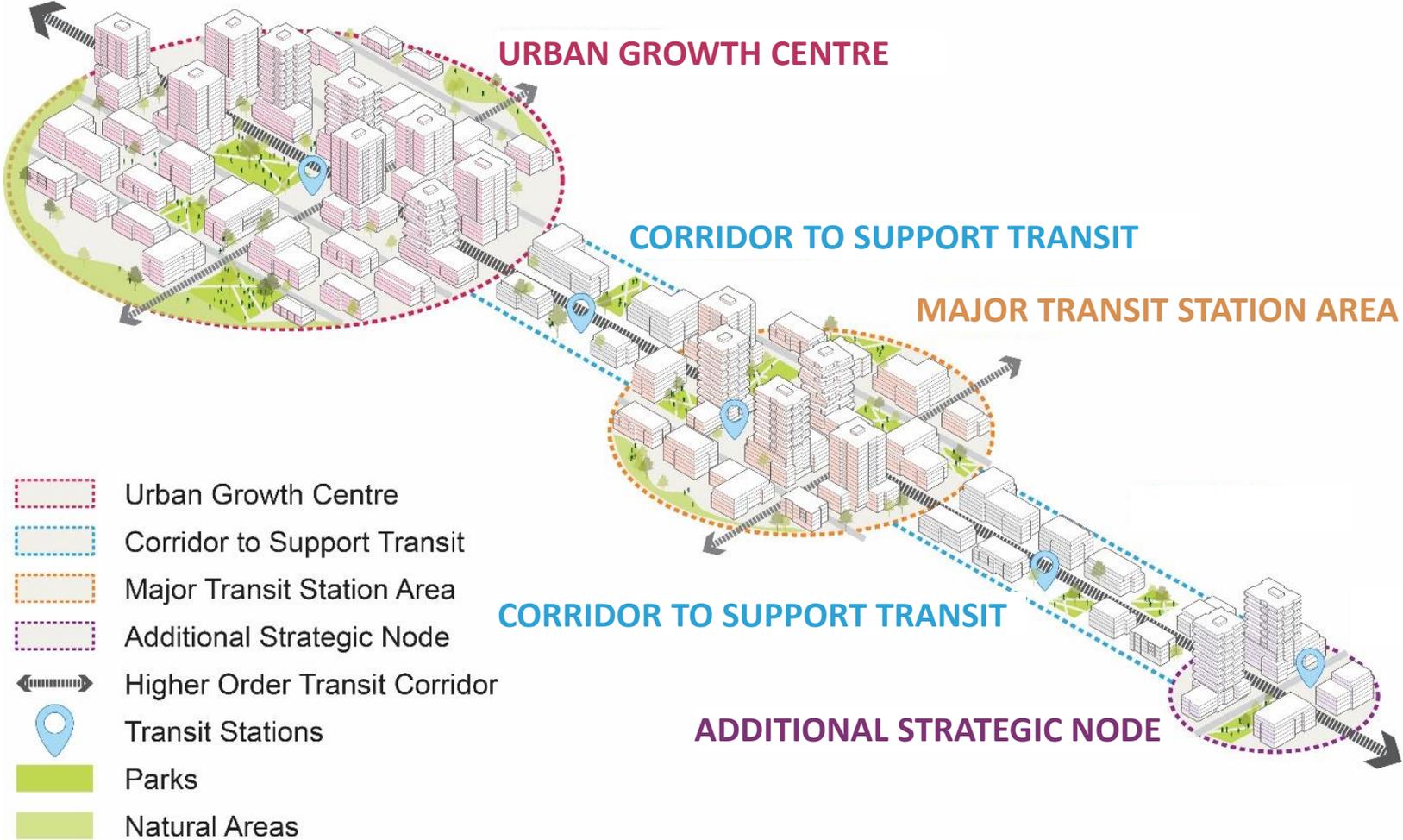
Delineated Built-Up Areas & Designated Greenfield Areas

Regional Urban Structure



Strategic Growth Areas

Community Areas



Urban Growth Centres Community Areas

- Focal points for institutional, commercial, recreational, employment & residential uses
- To accommodate and support major transit infrastructure
- Identified by Province in 2006 Growth Plan
- Minimum target of 200 residents & jobs per ha by 2031
- Halton UGCs are:
 - Downtown Milton
 - Midtown Oakville
 - Downtown Burlington

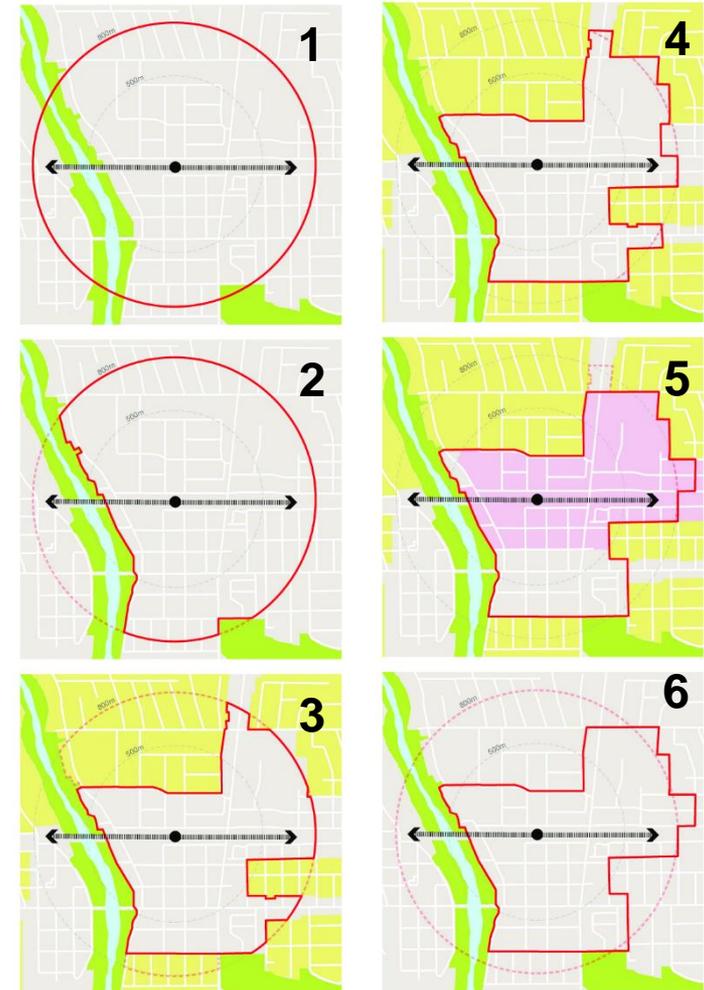


Major Transit Station Areas Community Areas

- Proposed Major Transit Station Area boundaries for 11 Major Transit Station Areas in the Region
- The Region is responsible for identifying Major Transit Station Area boundaries under the Growth Plan
- Major Transit Station Areas on a Priority Transit Corridor must have minimum density target of 150 people + jobs per hectare



Delineation Methodology



Major Transit Station Areas

Community Areas

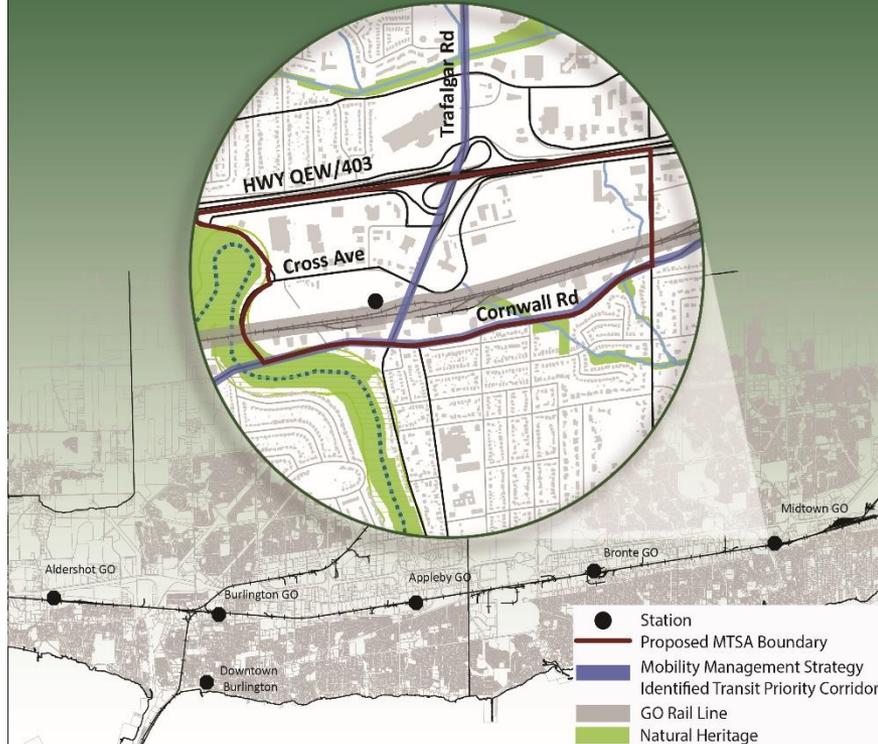
Proposed Major Transit Station Area Hierarchy

	Location	Proposed Delineation (Y/N)	Growth Plan Minimum Density Target (People/Jobs per ha)
MTSA on a Growth Plan Schedule 5 Priority Transit Corridor <u>and</u> also a UGC	Midtown Oakville	Y	200
	Milton GO	Y	200
MTSAs on a Growth Plan Schedule 5 Priority Transit Corridors <u>or</u> a UGC	Burlington GO	Y	150
	Bronte GO	Y	
	Appleby GO	Y	
MTSAs not on a Growth Plan Schedule 5 Priority Transit Corridor	Aldershot GO	Y	TBD*
	Georgetown GO	Y	
	Acton GO	Y	
Other potential MTSAs	Trafalgar/Derry (Milton)	Y	TBD*
	Tremaine Road (Milton)	N	n/a
	Walkers Line (Burlington)	N	
MTSAs to be considered for removal	Downtown Burlington	N	n/a

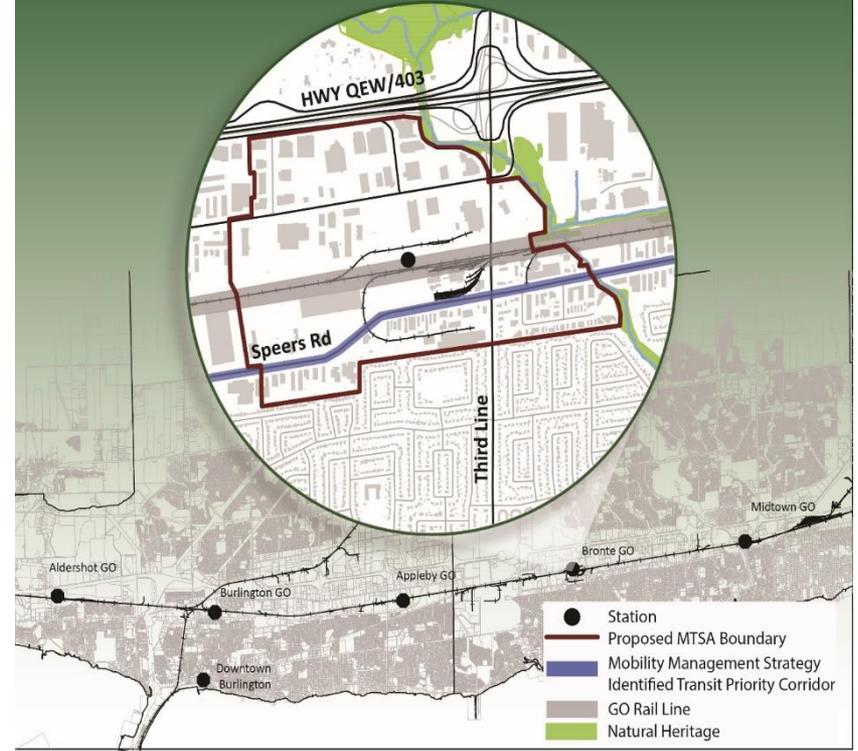
*Note: *To be determined through the IGMS*

Oakville

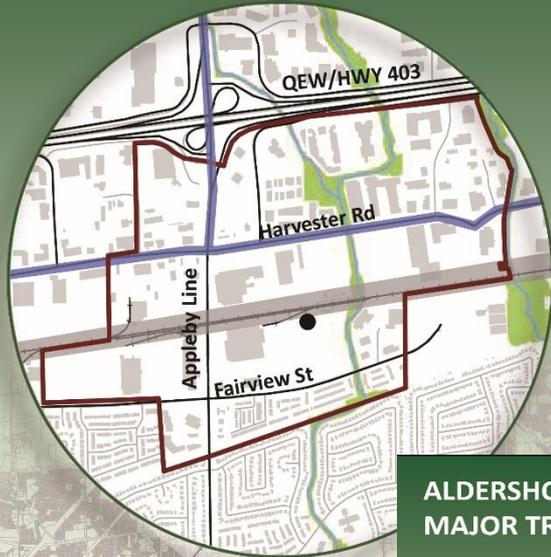
MIDTOWN OAKVILLE GO
MAJOR TRANSIT STATION AREA



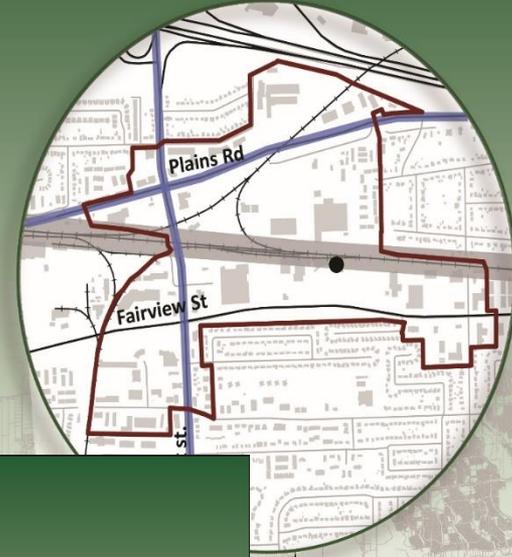
BRONTE GO
MAJOR TRANSIT STATION AREA



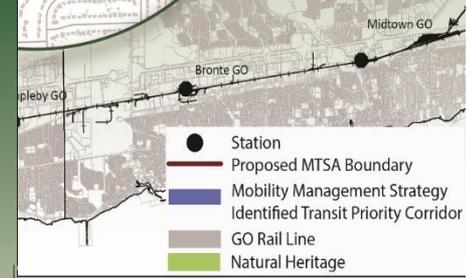
APPLEBY GO MAJOR TRANSIT STATION AREA



BURLINGTON GO MAJOR TRANSIT STATION AREA



ALDRESHOT GO MAJOR TRANSIT STATION AREA



- Station
- Proposed MTSA Boundary
- Mobility Management Strategy Identified Transit Priority Corridor
- GO Rail Line
- Natural Heritage

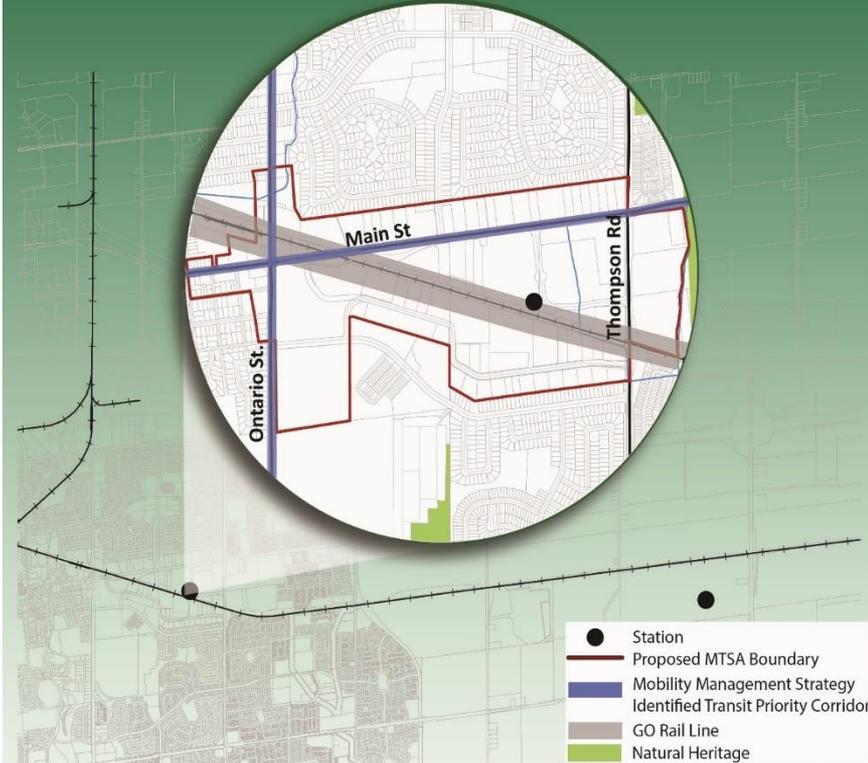
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Burlington

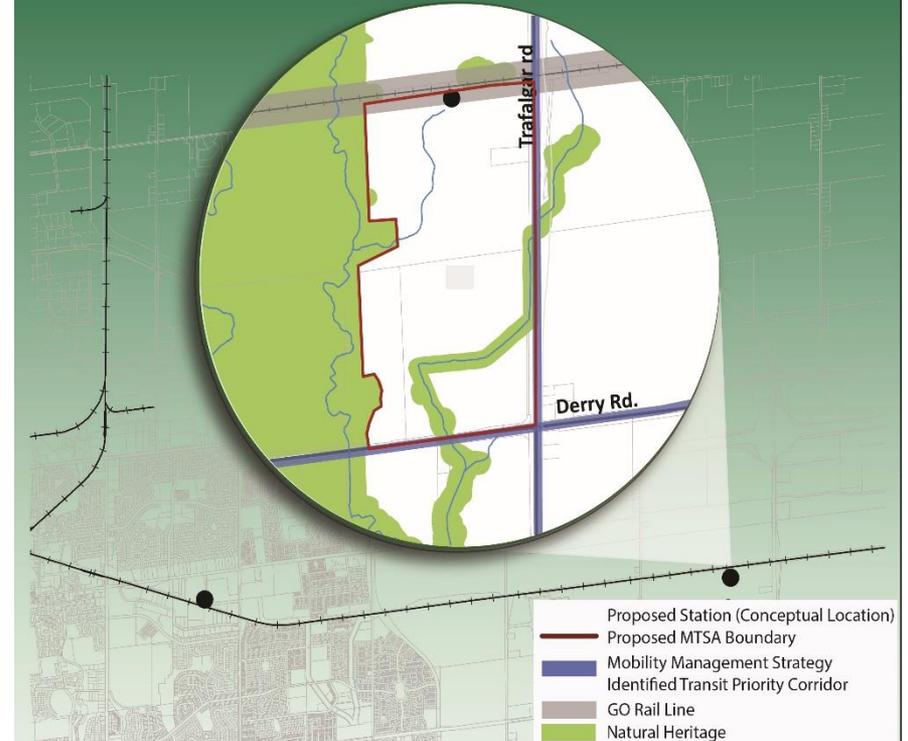


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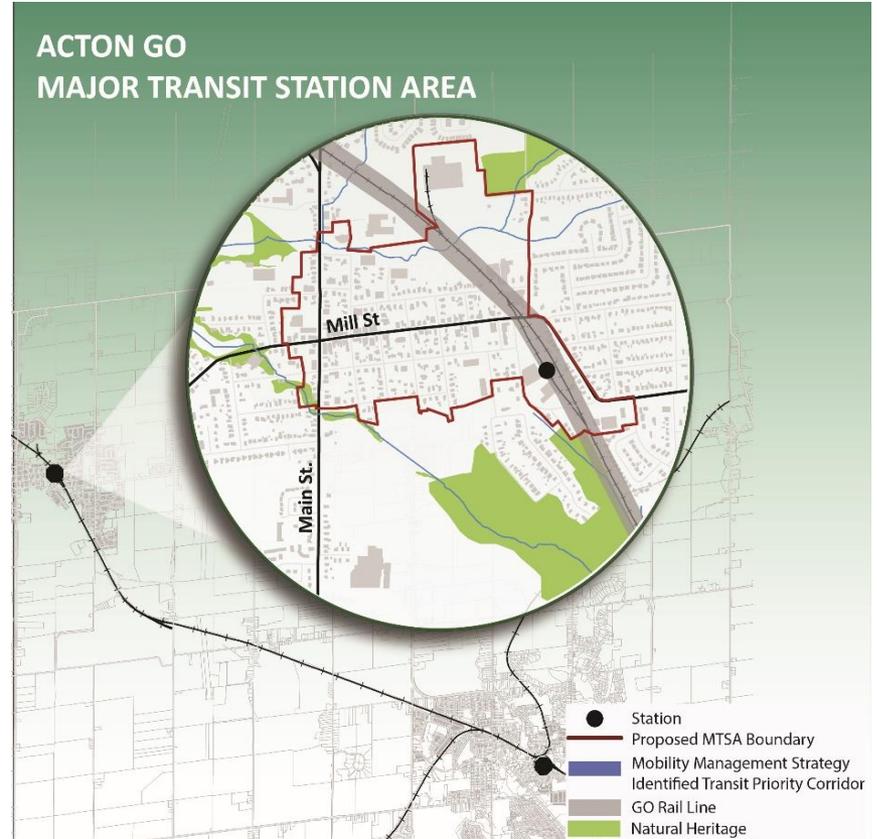
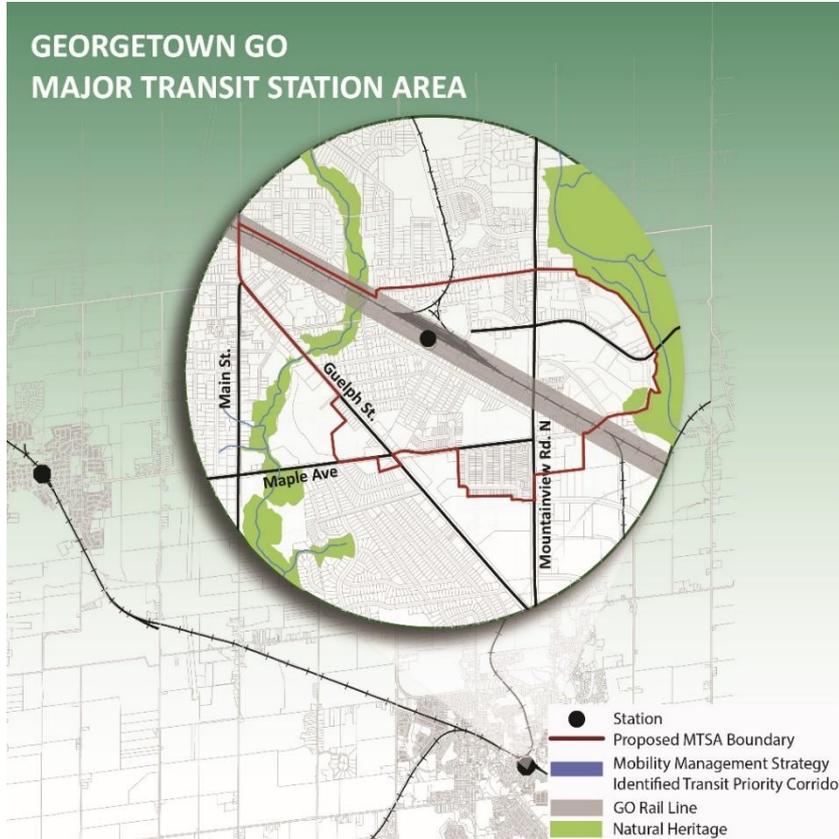
MILTON GO MAJOR TRANSIT STATION AREA



TRAFALGAR GO MAJOR TRANSIT STATION AREA



Halton Hills



Corridors Community Areas

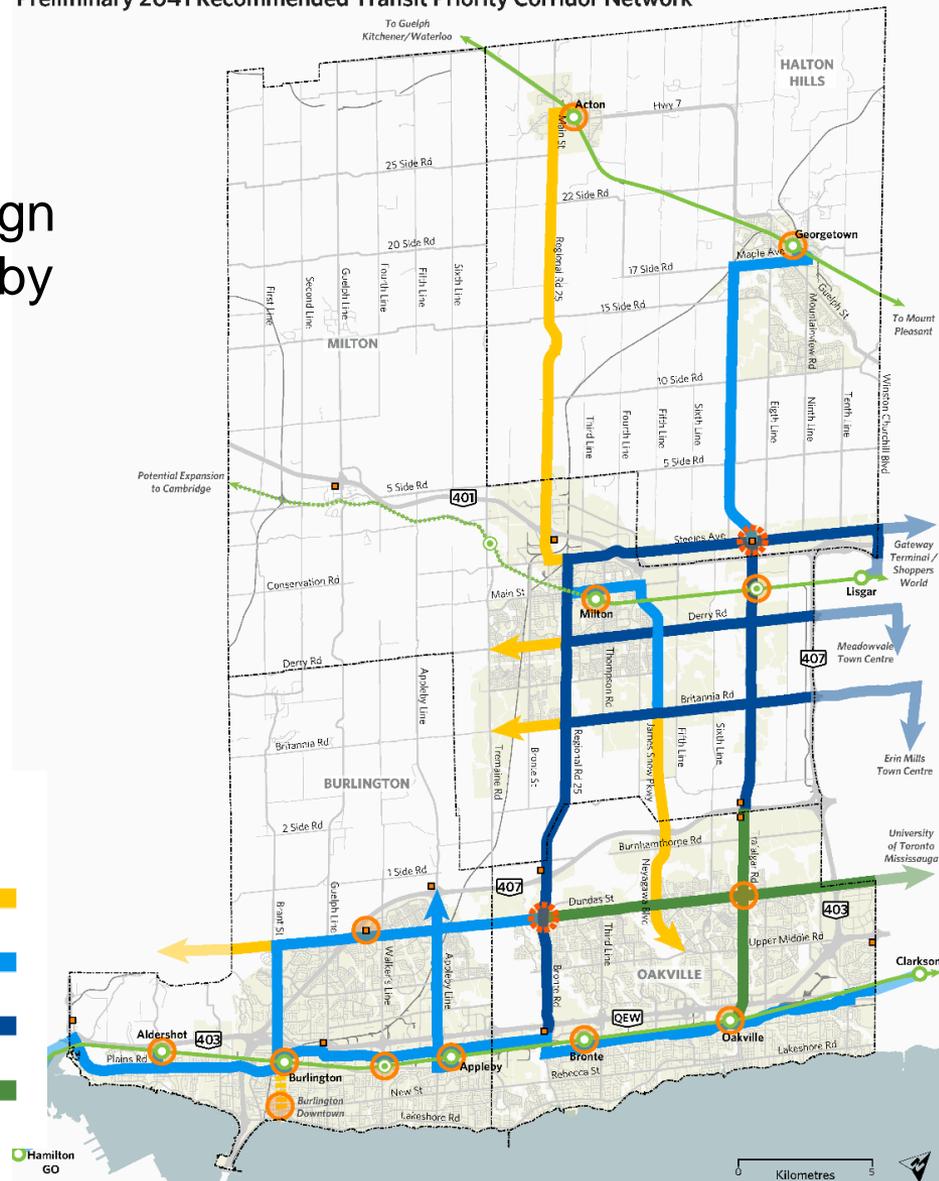
Corridors are being examined to align with the Provincial Plans, informed by the Defining Major Transit Requirements Study

- Identifying Corridors and assigning density targets in consultation with Local Municipalities

Transit Priority Corridor

Type	Form
Mixed	Mixed Traffic (2, 4, 6 lanes)
Priority Bus Corridor	Mixed Traffic + Queue Jump + Transit Signal Priority (TSP) (4, 6 lanes)
	HOV Lanes + TSP (6 lanes)
BRT Corridor	Bus Only Lanes + TSP (6 lanes)

Preliminary 2041 Recommended Transit Priority Corridor Network



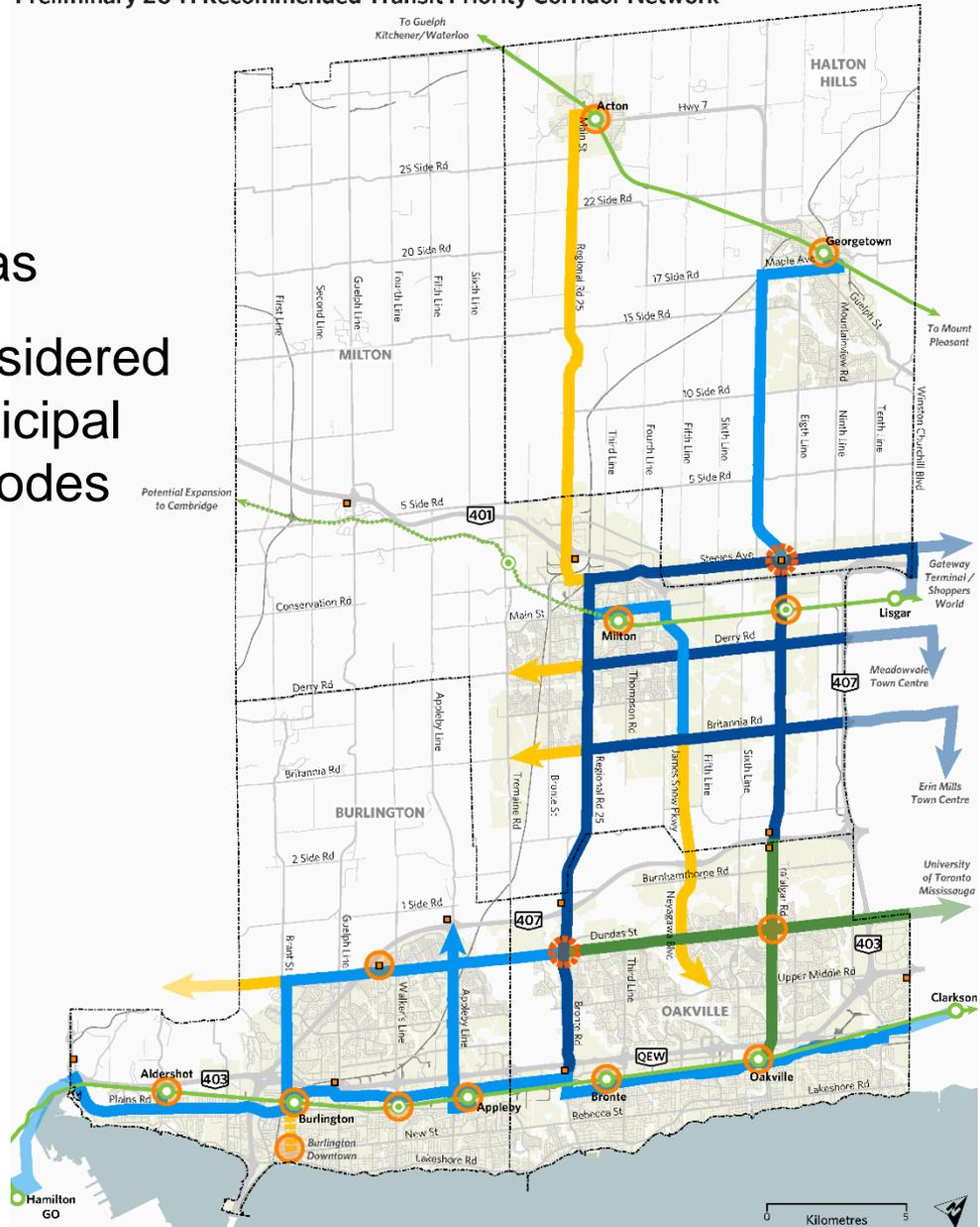
Additional Nodes Community Areas

Nodes can enhance the Region's hierarchy of Strategic Growth Areas

- Additional SGAs are being considered based on input from Local Municipal studies (i.e. Regional Transit Nodes identified in the Defining Major Transit Requirements Study)



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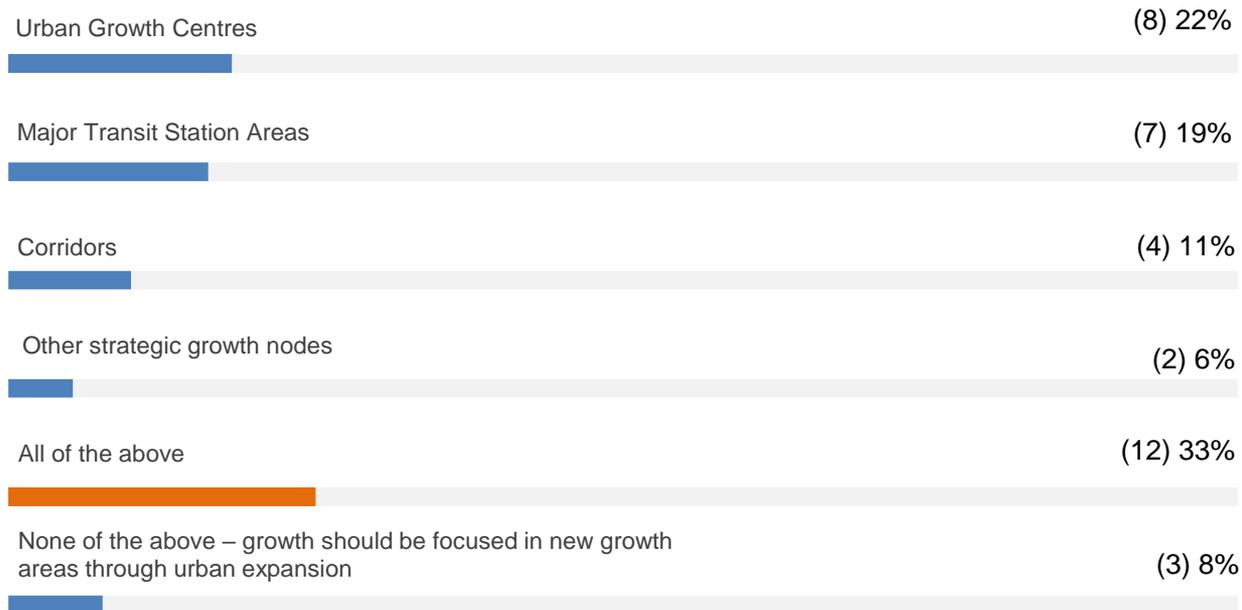
Participant Poll #3

Which strategic growth nodes within the existing planned areas of our communities, should be the focus for population growth?

- a) Urban Growth Centres
- b) Major Transit Station Areas
- c) Corridors
- d) Other strategic growth nodes
- e) All of the above
- f) None of the above – growth should be focused in new growth areas through urban expansion.

Participant Poll #3 - Results

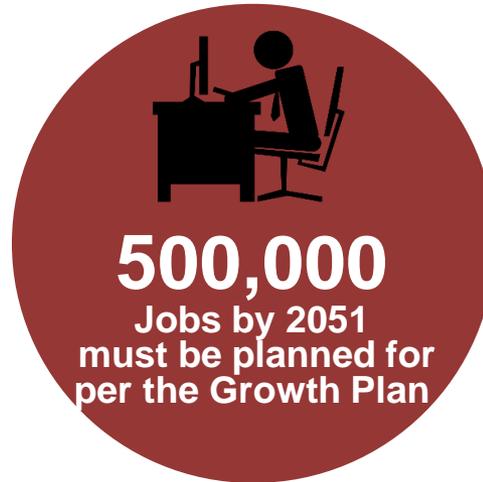
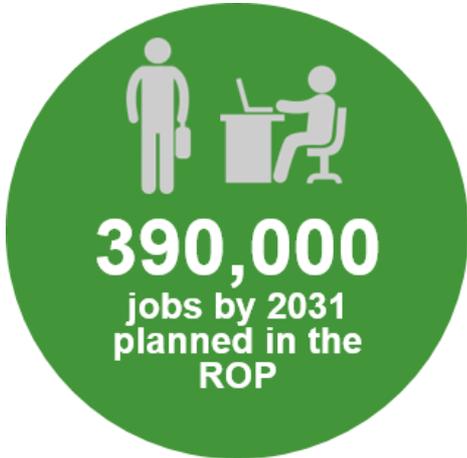
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Values rounded

Employment Areas

Regional Urban Structure



Location of Existing and Future Strategic Employment Areas

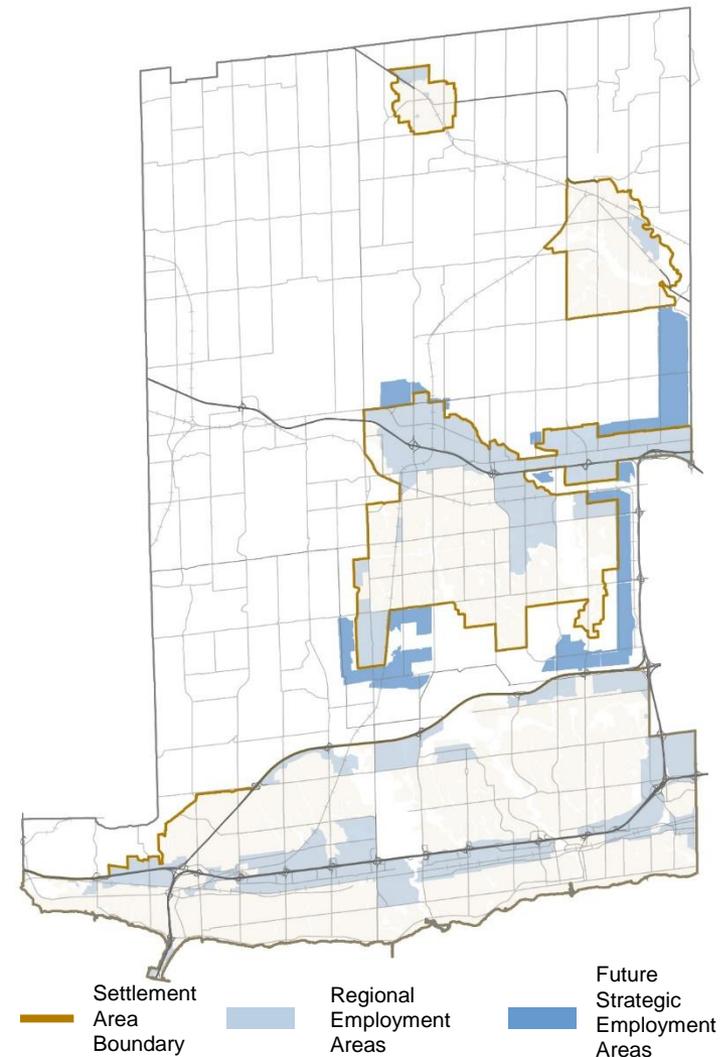
Employment Areas and Future Strategic Employment Areas in the Regional Official Plan

Employment Areas

- Protected for employment uses
- Residential and other non-employment uses prohibited

Future Strategic Employment Areas

- Lands outside the current Settlement Areas, but strategically located with respect to major transportation facilities and existing Employment Areas



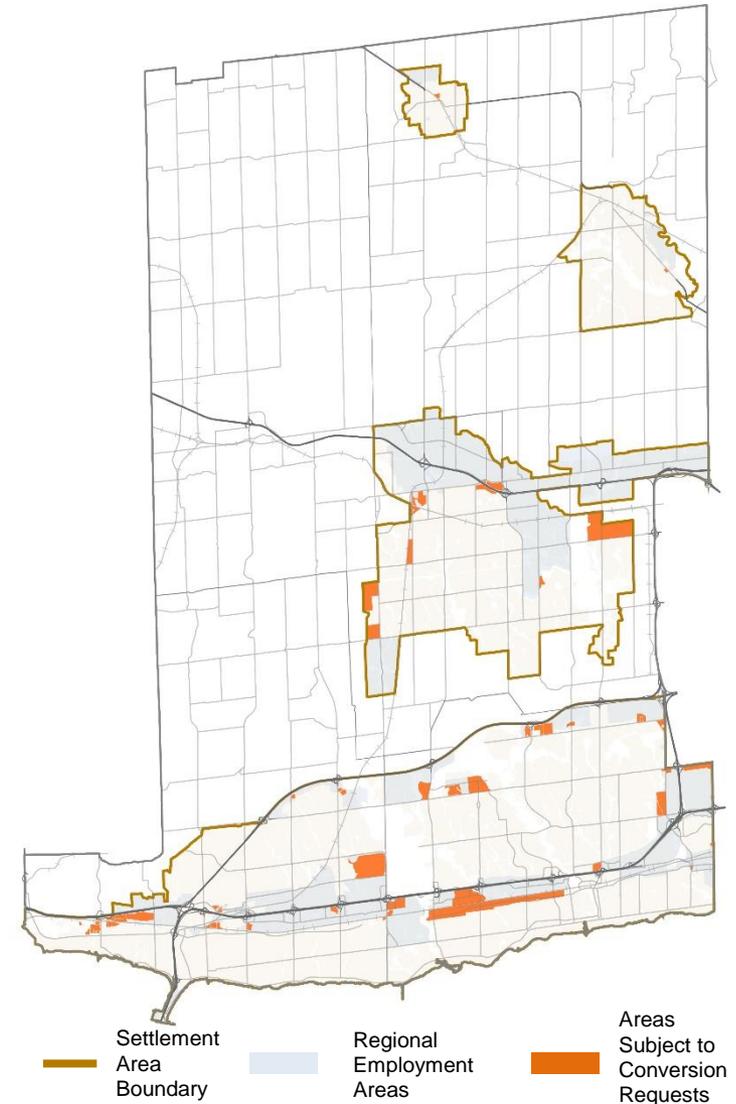
Conversion Criteria & Requests

Employment Areas

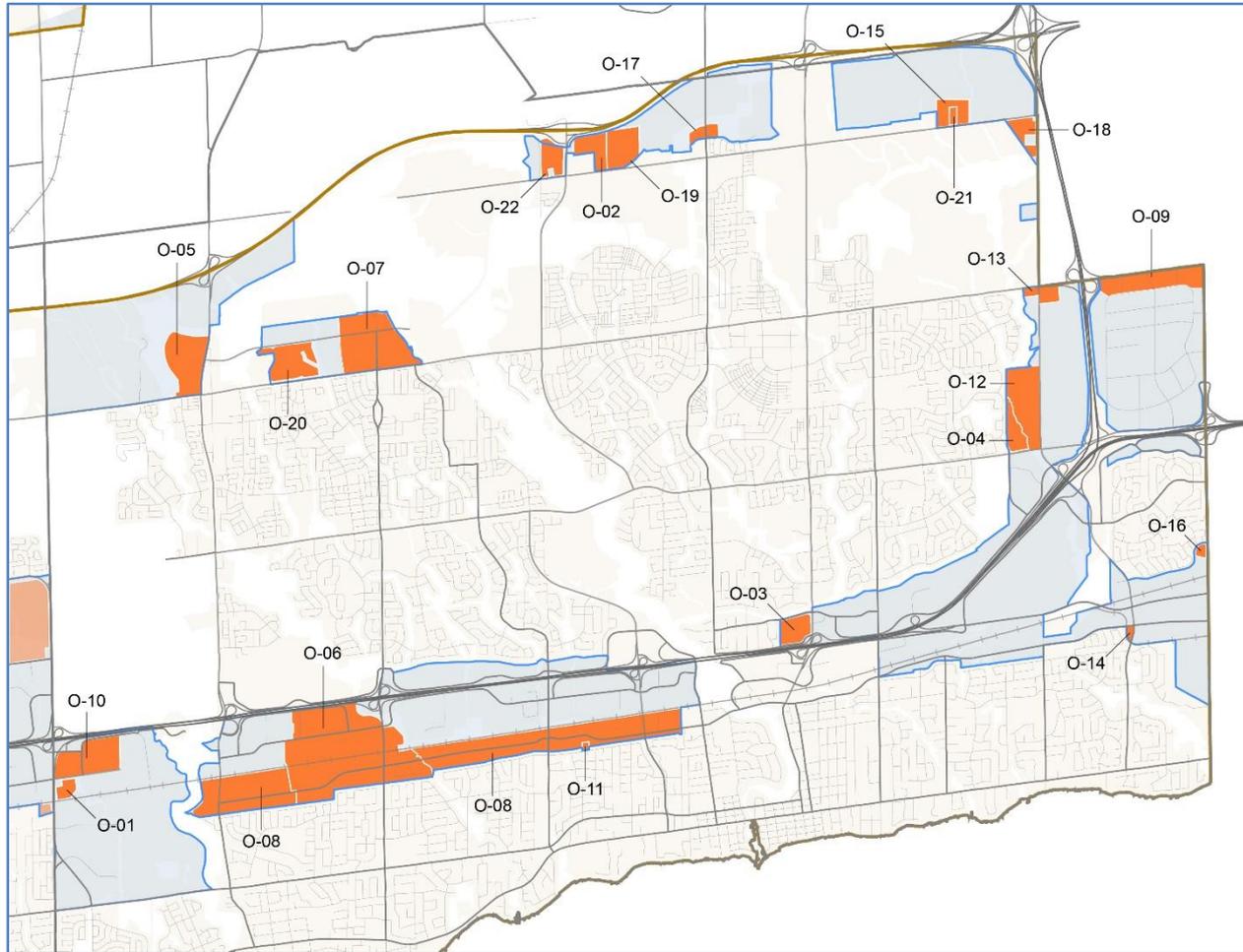
Conversion Requests Received by August 31, 2020

Employment Conversion Principles

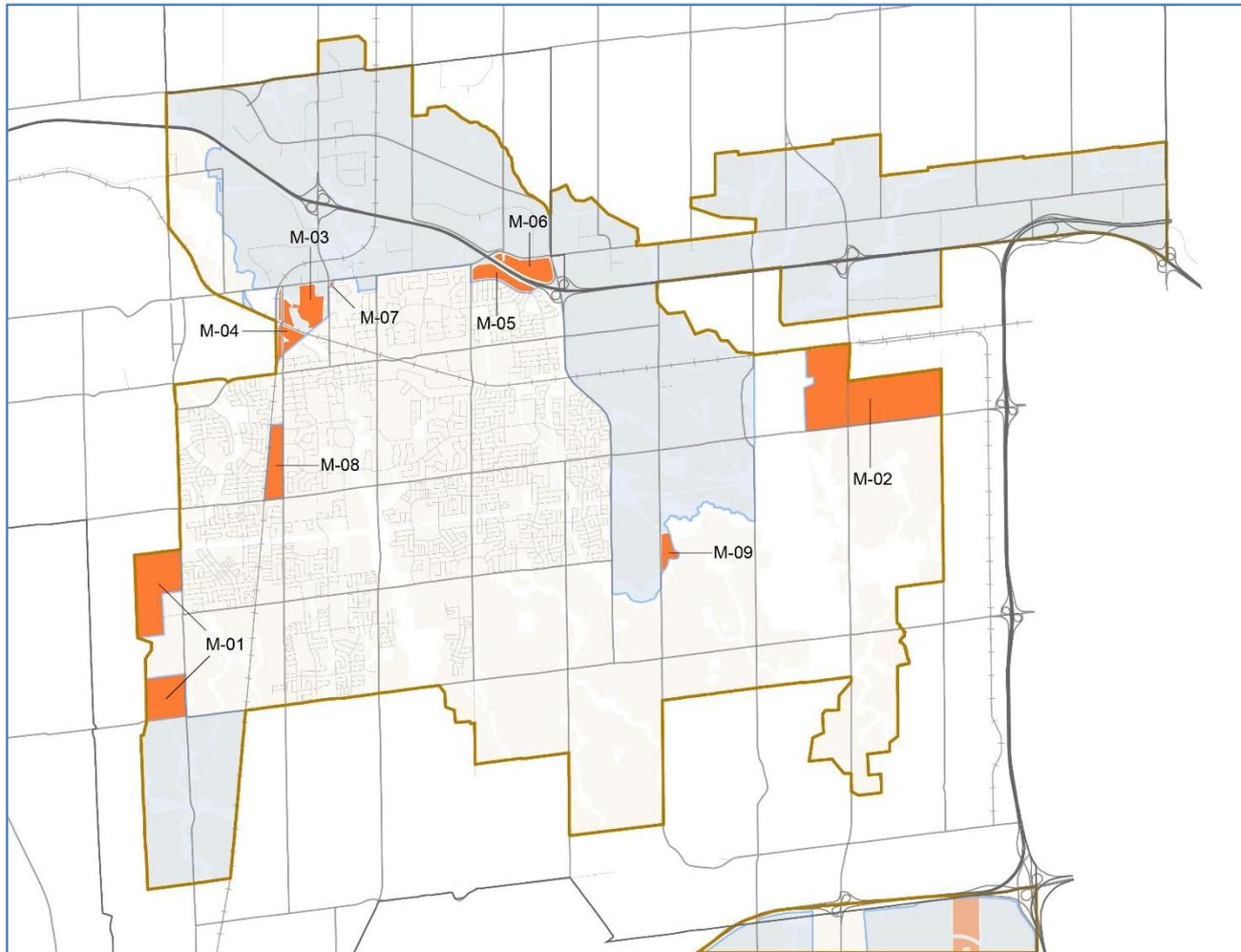
- Employment Land Supply
- Demonstrated Need
- Employment Area Viability
- General Considerations



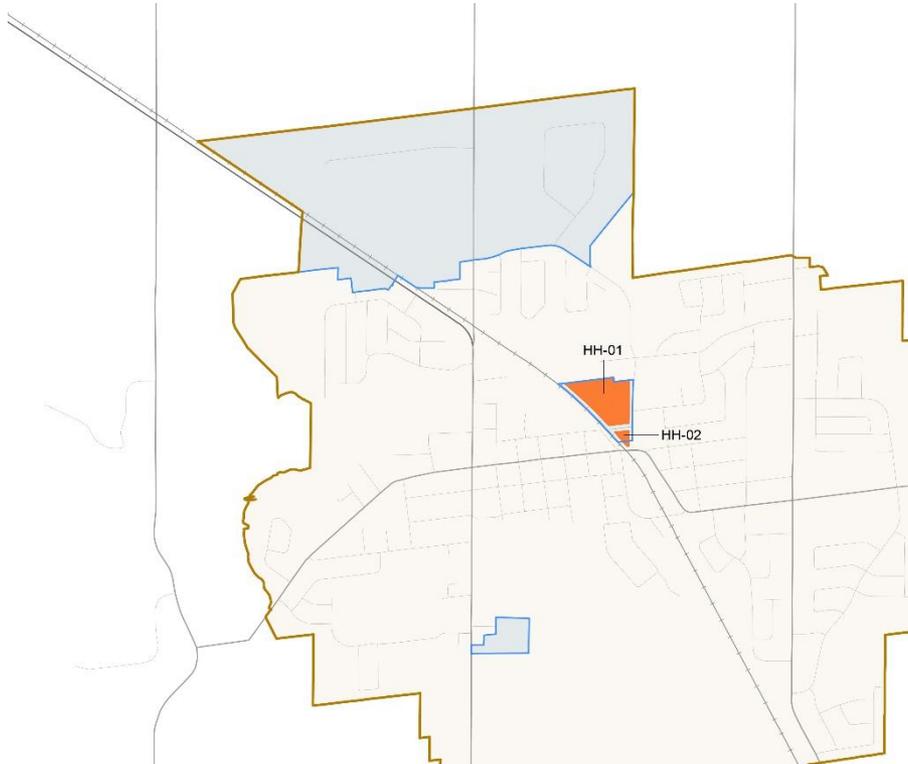
Oakville Conversion Requests



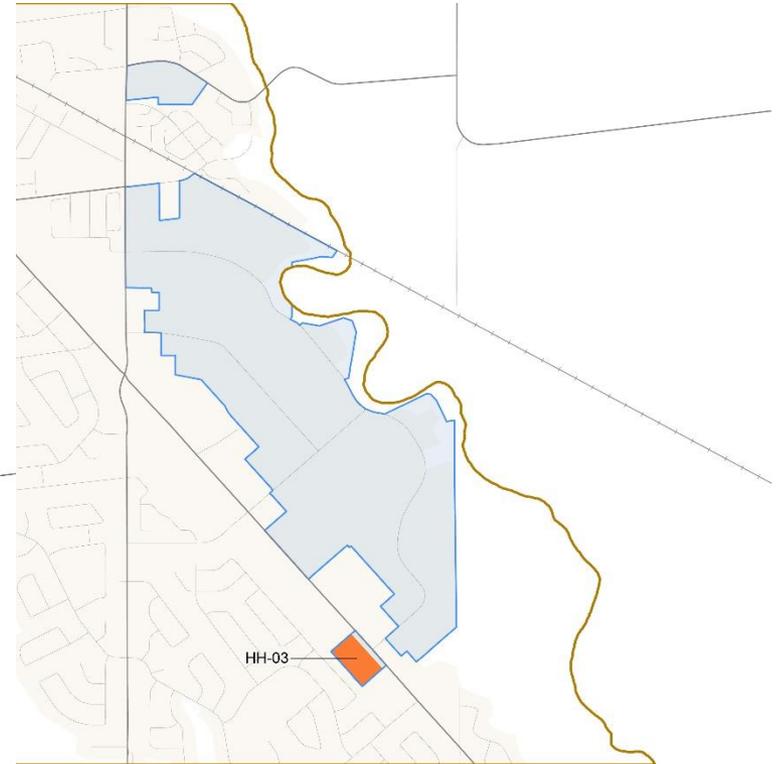
Milton Conversion Requests



Halton Hills Conversion Requests



Acton



Georgetown

Policy Approaches

Employment Areas

Types of Uses in Employment Areas

- Employment Land Employment Uses
 - i.e. manufacturing, warehousing, and office use
- Ancillary and Supportive Uses
 - Opportunity to review and refine how they are planned for in Employment Areas



Employment Outside Employment Areas

- Strategic Growth Areas are directed to accommodate Major Office Employment and other Population Related Employment i.e. major institutional uses

Participant Poll #4

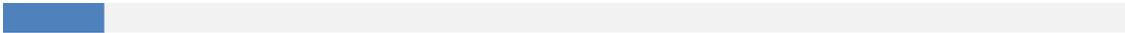
What do you think are important approaches that Halton Region can take to support employment growth and economic activity in Halton Region? (Multiple Choice)

- a) Identify new urban lands to accommodate employment growth.
- b) Support employment growth in strategic growth areas.
- c) Allow a wider range of business activities within employment areas while ensuring compatibility.
- d) Support existing businesses within Halton's employment areas.
- e) All of the above

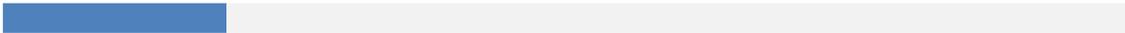
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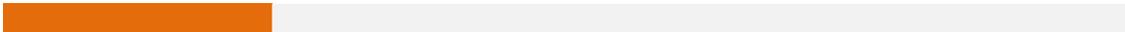
Identify new urban lands to accommodate employment growth
Support employment growth in strategic growth areas (6) 10%



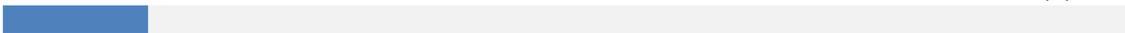
Support employment growth in strategic growth areas (15) 25%



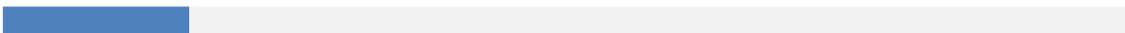
Allow a wider range of business activities within employment areas while ensuring compatibility (19) 31%



Support existing businesses within Halton's employment areas (9) 15%



All of the above (12) 20%



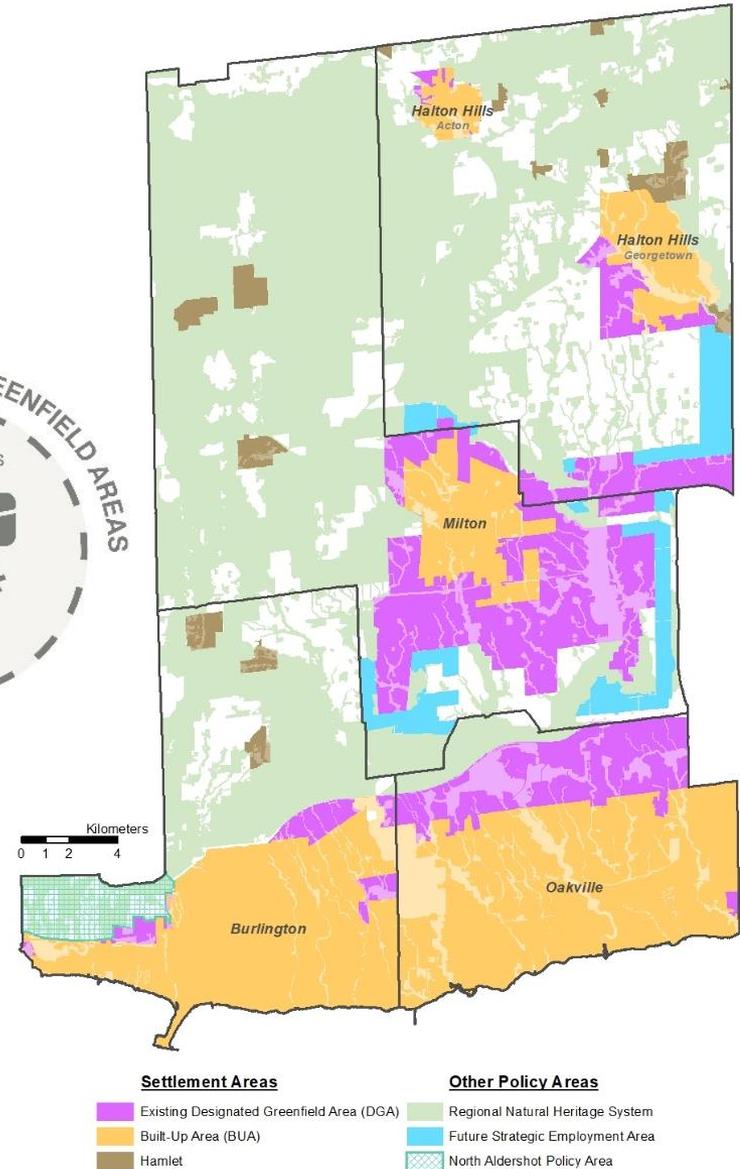
(61 of 61 Votes) 100%
Values rounded



Settlement Areas

Regional Urban Structure

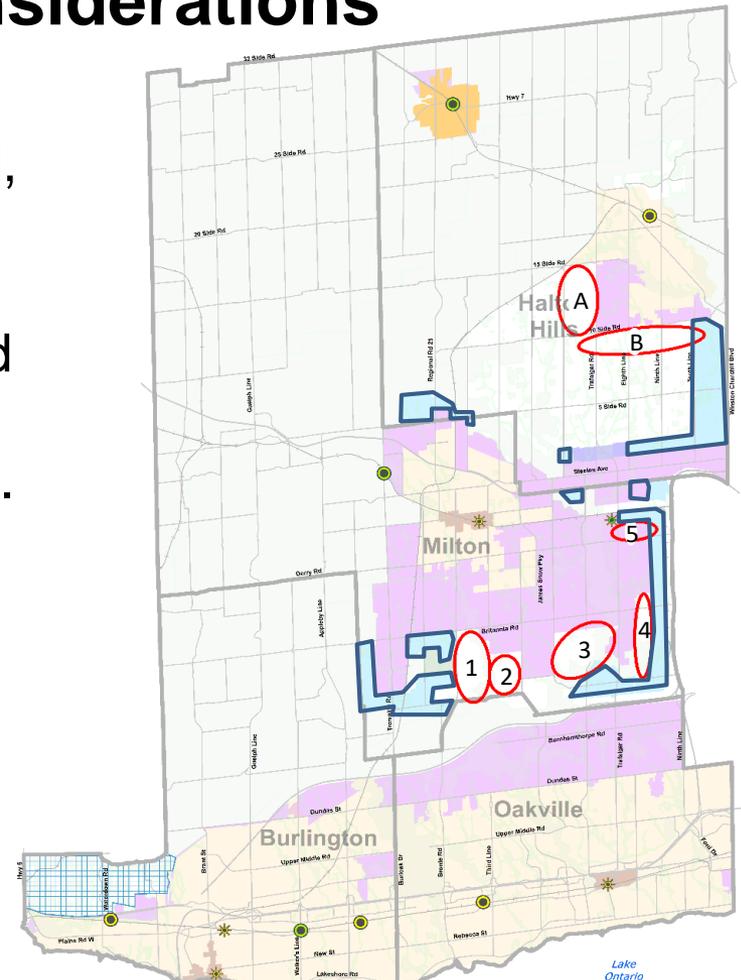
- Growth Plan (2019) requires Halton Region to identify Settlement Area boundaries
- Must establish a minimum density target for the Designated Greenfield Area of the Region and the Local Municipalities
- Settlement Area boundary expansion may occur through a Municipal Comprehensive Review (with exceptions) by meeting policy tests



Expansion Criteria and Potential Location

Settlement Area Expansion Considerations

- If a Settlement Area expansion is justified, the feasibility and appropriate location must be identified based on Growth Plan and Regional Official Plan policies related to infrastructure, natural heritage, water resources, and agriculture, among others.
- The ROPR Evaluation Framework also identifies the following themes:
 - Regional & Local Urban Structure;
 - Infrastructure & Financing;
 - Agriculture, Environment & Climate Change; and
 - Growing the Economy & Moving People and Goods.



- Potential Locations for New Community Area DGA
- Potential Locations for New Employment Area DGA

Designated Greenfield Density Target Settlement Areas

Growth Plan and IGMS Growth Scenario Density Targets

Minimum persons/jobs per ha in Designated Greenfield Areas



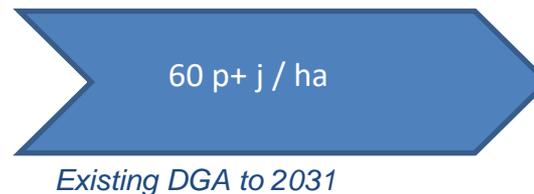
Growth Plan (2019)



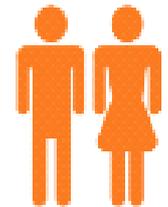
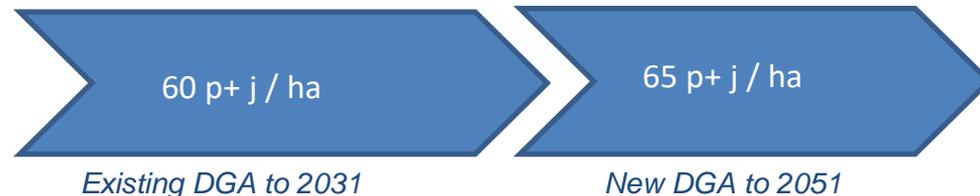
Growth Scenarios 1 & 2



Growth Scenario 3



Growth Scenario 4



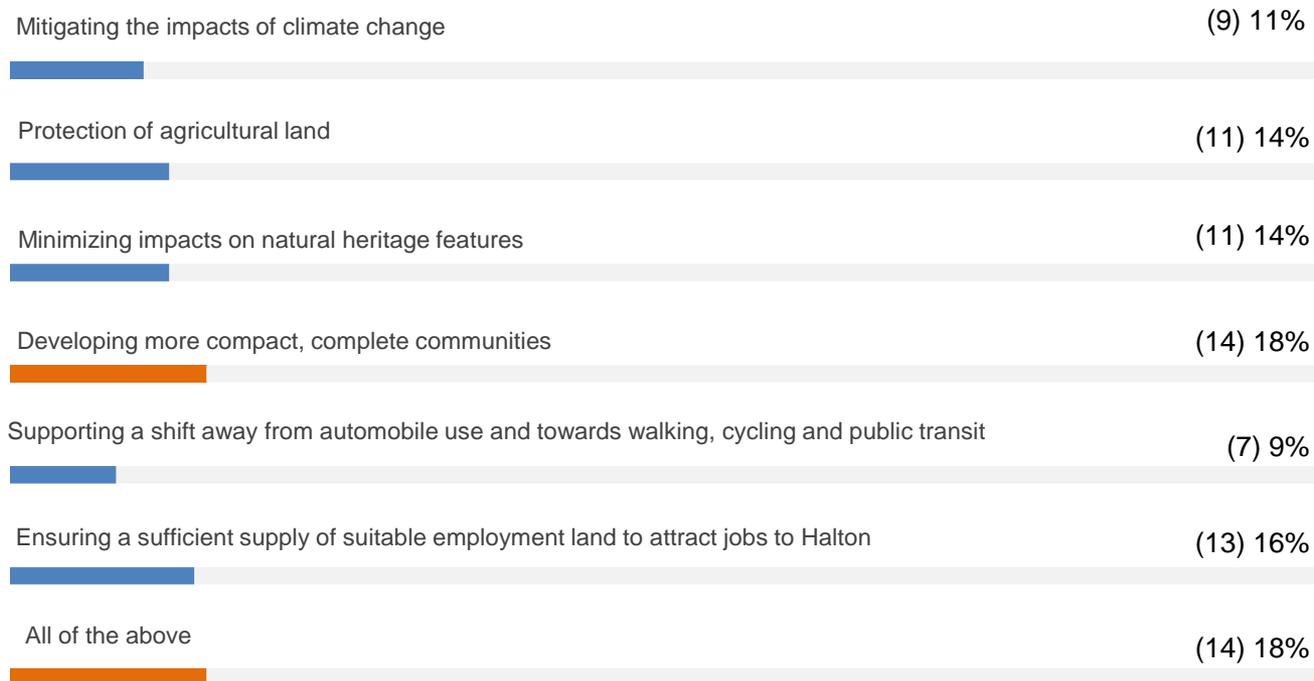
Participant Poll #5

What should be the most important factor or factors when deciding if an expansion of the current settlement areas should be planned to 2051? (Multiple Choice)

- a) Mitigating the impacts of climate change
- b) Protection of agricultural land
- c) Minimizing impacts on natural heritage features
- d) Developing more compact, complete communities
- e) Supporting a shift away from automobile use and towards walking, cycling and public transit
- f) Ensuring a sufficient supply of suitable employment land to attract jobs to Halton
- g) All of the above

Participant Poll #5 - Results

What should be the most important factor or factors when deciding if an expansion of the current settlement areas should be planned to 2051? (Multiple Choice)



(79 of 79 Votes) 100%
Values rounded

Concluding Comments

Regional Urban Structure

- A key component of the Regional Official Plan Review is the development of an Integrated Growth Management Strategy to 2051 to implement Growth Plan policies
- The Regional Urban Structure Discussion Paper:
 - summarizes the relevant policy directions pertaining to Community Areas, Employment Areas and Settlement Areas;
 - forms the basis for consultation on growth management with the public, Local Municipalities, and other public agencies and interest groups;
 - intends to inform a fulsome policy discussion, there are no predetermined conclusions
- The Discussion Paper is intended to facilitate the exploration of ideas in the context of broad public engagement, where all relevant options are explored

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