THE TOWNSHIP OF TARBUTT
Notice of Public Meeting
For an Updated Official Plan

In accordance with Sections 17 and 26 of the *Planning Act*, R.S.O., C.P. 13, as amended, The Township of Tarbutt is holding a Public Meeting to adopt the Official Plan for the Desbarats to Echo Bay Planning Board.

The Official Plan is a statement of goals, objectives and policies to guide future growth within the townships for a twenty to thirty (20-30) year horizon. The Official Plan for the Desbarats to Echo Bay Planning Board will replace the current Official Plan for The Township of Tarbutt.

The current Official Plan has been in effect since 2015. The purpose of this Official Plan is to implement a shared vision for land use planning and development for this Township and other municipalities that form part of the Desbarats to Echo Bay Planning Board area. The Official Plan incorporates new provincial policy directions and considers local planning issues that impact your community.

The Official Plan will apply to all lands within The Township of Tarbutt.

The statutory public meeting for the review and adoption of the Official Plan will be held on:

Wednesday, September 16, 2026
3:00 pm
Tarbutt Municipal Office
27 Barr Road South
Desbarats, Ontario P0R 1E0

Participation

If you wish to speak to this matter, you must contact the Township Clerk by Thursday, September 10 at 12:00 noon at clerk@tarbutt.ca or by phone at 705-782-6776 to register to participate in the public meeting.

If you wish to provide written submission to the public meeting, comments must be addressed to the Clerk and received 12:00 noon on Thursday, September 10, 2026. Comments may be mailed or emailed. All written comments received prior to any approval will be considered and published.

Appeals

If a person or public body would otherwise have an ability to appeal the decision of the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing to the Ontario Land Tribunal but the person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to The Township of Tarbutt before the proposed official plan is adopted, the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decision.

If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to The Township of Tarbutt before the proposed official plan is adopted, the person or public body may not be added as a party to the hearing of an appeal before the Ontario Land Tribunal unless, in the opinion of the Tribunal, there are reasonable grounds to add the person or public body as a party.

Dated this 25th day of August, 2026

Carol O. Trainor, Clerk

Where can I find information regarding the Official Plan?

The proposed Official Plan is available online at: Desbarats to Echo Bay Planning Board

This information is also available to the public at the Township Office between the hours of 9:00 am and 4:00 pm, Monday to Friday.

To send written comments:
By mail or in Person:
the Desbarats to Echo Bay Planning Board
By email: Jared Brice at admin@tarbutt.ca or to the Clerk, Carol Trainor, at clerk@tarbutt.ca

Want to be notified?
If you wish to be notified of the Council decision of The Township of Tarbutt, please make a written request to the contact above.

NOTE:
Under the authority of the *Municipal Act*, 2001 and in accordance with Ontario's *Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* (MFIPPA), all information provided for, or at a Public Meeting, Public Consultation, or other Public Process are considered part of the public record, including resident deputations. This information may be posted on the Township's website and/or made available to the public upon request.

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