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RE: Planning Act S. 26 Special Meeting of Council, January 14, 2025

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Thank you for circulating Middlesex Centre on the Notice regarding the Special Meeting of County Council under S. 26 of the Planning Act.

The rapidly changing legislative and policy environment, while intended to increase the supply of housing, has created an environment of uncertainty and has created significant challenges for municipalities.

Ensuring the County Official Plan is consistent with the new Provincial Planning Statement 2024 is an essential first step in providing a degree of policy certainty to area municipalities. We would like to emphasize our support for the timely completion of the Official Plan Update.

It will be vital that Middlesex Centre, along with other area municipalities, be active partners in this process. The OP Update must maintain the flexibility for local development goals and objectives, as we all work towards removing barriers and streamlining development processes.

Looking forward to working with you through this process.

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