

Kitchener 2051 Phase 2 Check-in

Equity and Anti-Racism Advisory Committee
Fall 2024



meeting objectives

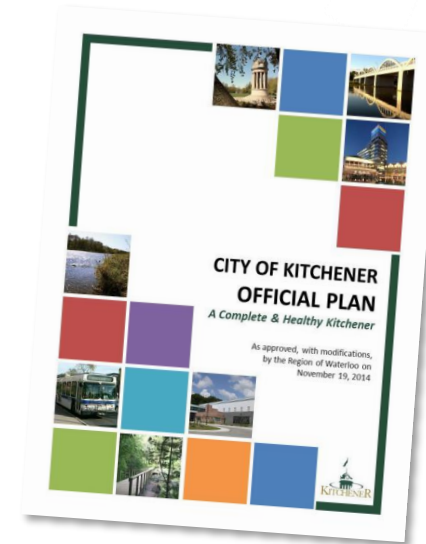
- To share an overview of Kitchener 2051.
- To answer any questions about the project that you may have.
- To listen to information that you wish share.
- To share future opportunities to get involved.

what is Kitchener 2051?

As Kitchener grows to become a city of up to 450,000 people, we need a new plan.

Kitchener's Official Plan (2014) is now 10+ years old and due for an update. Provincial legislation requires that Official Plans be updated every 10 years or sooner.

Kitchener 2051 is a process to prepare a new Official Plan that will guide growth and shape the way that neighbourhoods evolve and change over the next 25 years.



process and timelines

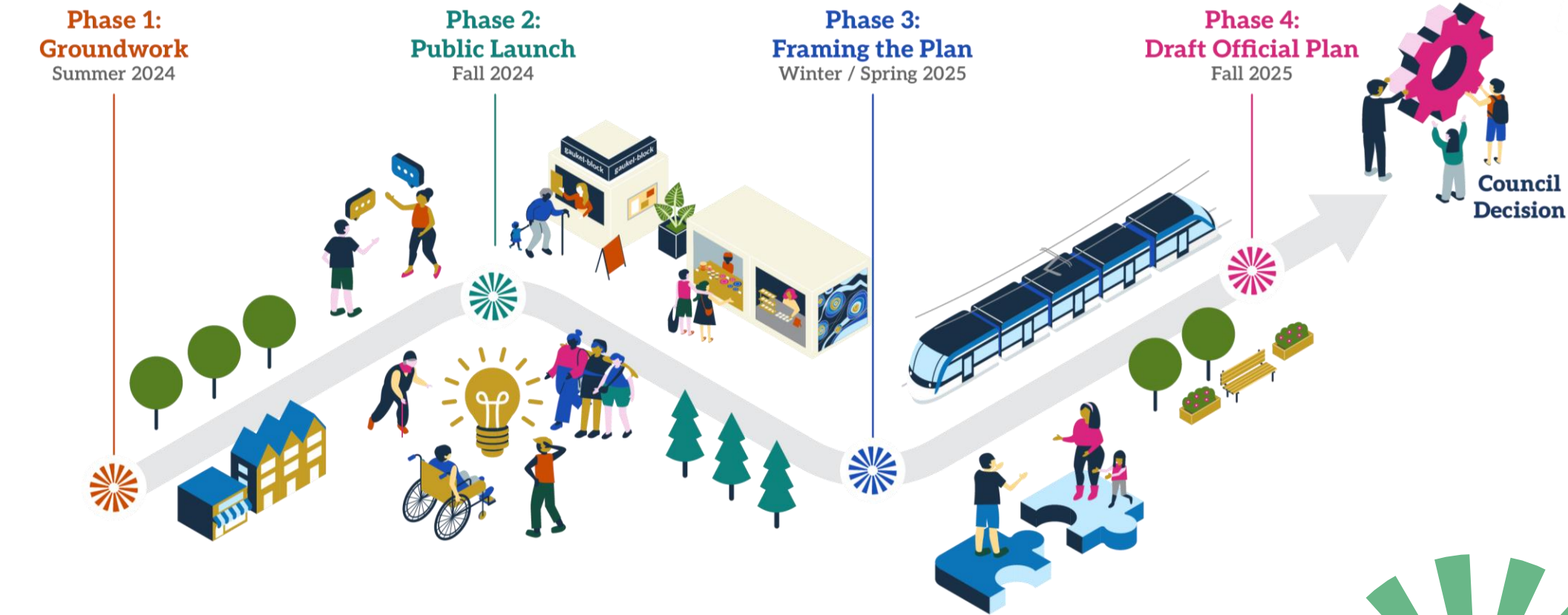
**Phase 1:
Groundwork**
Summer 2024

**Phase 2:
Public Launch**
Fall 2024

**Phase 3:
Framing the Plan**
Winter / Spring 2025

**Phase 4:
Draft Official Plan**
Fall 2025

**Council
Decision**



strategic plan alignment



Kitchener 2051 Components



Climate & Energy Study



Population & Employment Forecasts
including a Housing Needs Assessment



Non-Residential Land Use Study



Growth Scenarios Study





what is an
official plan?

overview

An Official Plan (OP) is a document that shapes the way our city grows and changes.

- Provincial legislation, specifically the *Planning Act*, sets out what an OP can do.
- That includes:
 - Guiding growth and change mostly related to how land & buildings are used;
 - Informing decisions on land use, development, transportation, physical, and community infrastructure;
 - Translating the City's vision, established through the Strategic Plan, into future uses of land; and
 - Providing direction for implementing tools like the Zoning by-law.



overview

An OP works together with other plans, guidelines, and strategies to shape our city.

- Starting later in 2024, the City will begin a review of its Transportation Master Plan that will align with Kitchener 2051.
- The new OP will align with and reinforce other tools, such as:
 - Complete Streets Guidelines
 - Vision Zero Strategy
 - Cycling & Trails Master Plan



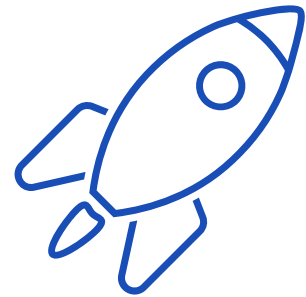
goals and objectives

The new Official Plan should reflect who we are, what we value, and the Kitchener we can become – a thriving city that offers well-being, potential and quality of life, for everyone.

The following principles will guide the City's conversations with the community:

- Providing meaningful opportunities to shape the Official Plan
- Build community capacity for informed engagement
- Build trusting relationships
- Strive for representation
- Elicit a broad range of ideas and go deep on the interesting ones





we need
your help!

phase 2 overview

we're about to get started in a big way, and we need your help!
help spread the word & attend any or all of these events!



Block Party
(Public Launch)
October 5

Online
Launch

“Launch
On-the-Go”
Pop-ups

Youth
Engagement
Module

Speaker
Series



let's talk!

questions

- **What are some topics that we should be thinking about under each of our thematic areas of Kitchener 2051?**
- **Who else should we be speaking with through consultation?**
- **Are there locations where we should identify for pop-up consultation?**

