

**Regional Government Review**  
**Meeting Scheduled May 13, 2019 (11:00 a.m. to 1:45 p.m.)**  
**County of Simcoe Council Chambers (1110 Highway 26 Midhurst)**

The Province is currently reviewing the governance, decision-making, and service delivery functions of 8 regional municipalities and Simcoe County. With the help of an advisory body comprised of 2 special advisors, the Province is reviewing regional governments and Simcoe County to help ensure that these municipalities are working effectively and efficiently, and can continue to provide the vital services that communities depend on.

Help inform the review body of your thoughts on the regional government review by sharing your thoughts on governance, decision-making and service delivery functions in these regions. Contact the Provincial Advisors prior to May 21<sup>st</sup> at [www.ontario.ca/regional-government-review](http://www.ontario.ca/regional-government-review).

The mandate of the advisory body is to provide expert advice to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing and to make recommendations to the government on opportunities to improve regional governance and service delivery.

Recommendations from the advisory body will focus on the following questions:

Municipal Governance and Decision Making:

- a. Is the decision-making (mechanisms and priorities) of upper- and lower-tier municipalities efficiently aligned?
- b. Does the existing model support the capacity of the municipalities to make decisions efficiently?
- c. Are two-tier structures appropriate for all of these municipalities?
- d. Does the distribution of councillors represent the residents well?
- e. Do the ways that regional councillors/heads of council get elected/appointed to serve on regional council help to align lower- and upper-tier priorities?

Municipal Service Delivery:

- a. Is there opportunity for more efficient allocation of various service responsibilities?
- b. Is there duplication of activities?
- c. Are there opportunities for cost savings?
- d. Are there barriers to making effective and responsive infrastructure and service delivery decisions?

**Questions and requests for more information on the Regional Government Review can be directed to [regionalgovreview@ontario.ca](mailto:regionalgovreview@ontario.ca).**