



## Malahide 2033: Share your thoughts, Shape our community, Complete the survey

Strategic planning and public engagement represent two essential elements of healthy municipal government. Done well, a strategic plan will provide the clarity and alignment necessary for the corporation to operate efficiently and for council to make key decisions effectively.

Although most actions and decisions are guided by the provincial legislative framework the Township does have discretion over many aspects of service standards, how much money it levies from property taxes, how it spends its budget, how and where it grows and what amenities are provided. These decisions are best made within a larger, long-term vision, one that has been discussed with the community. That is why we need YOUR INPUT!!

This survey represents Phase 1 of our Strategic Planning process. You can find out more about the entire process on the Township website [malahide.ca](http://malahide.ca). Thank you for taking the time to contribute to this important step.

### **BACKGROUND ON MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT**

The powers of municipal governments are determined by the provincial government. Municipal governments in Ontario are responsible for providing many of the services within their local boundaries that you rely on daily. Some are provided by Elgin County or the City of St Thomas, others by Malahide.

#### **Malahide Township provides (in alphabetical order):**

Animal Control and By-law Enforcement  
Arts and Culture (shared with County)  
Economic Development (shared with County)  
Fire Services  
Garbage Collection and Recycling  
Maintenance of Local Road Network  
Parks and Recreation  
Planning New Community Developments and Enhancing Existing Neighbourhoods  
Side Walks  
Snow Removal  
Storm Sewers  
Tax Collection  
Water and Sewage

#### **The following services are provided by Elgin County or City of St Thomas - NOT Malahide:**

Airports  
Ambulance  
Arts and Culture  
Child Care  
Economic Development  
Garbage Collection and Recycling  
Library Services  
Long Term Care and Senior Housing  
Police Services  
Property Assessment  
Provincial Offences Administration  
Public Health  
Social Services  
Social Housing

**Confidentiality Notice:**

You do not have to provide your name in the survey. You can remain anonymous. Providing your name is optional.

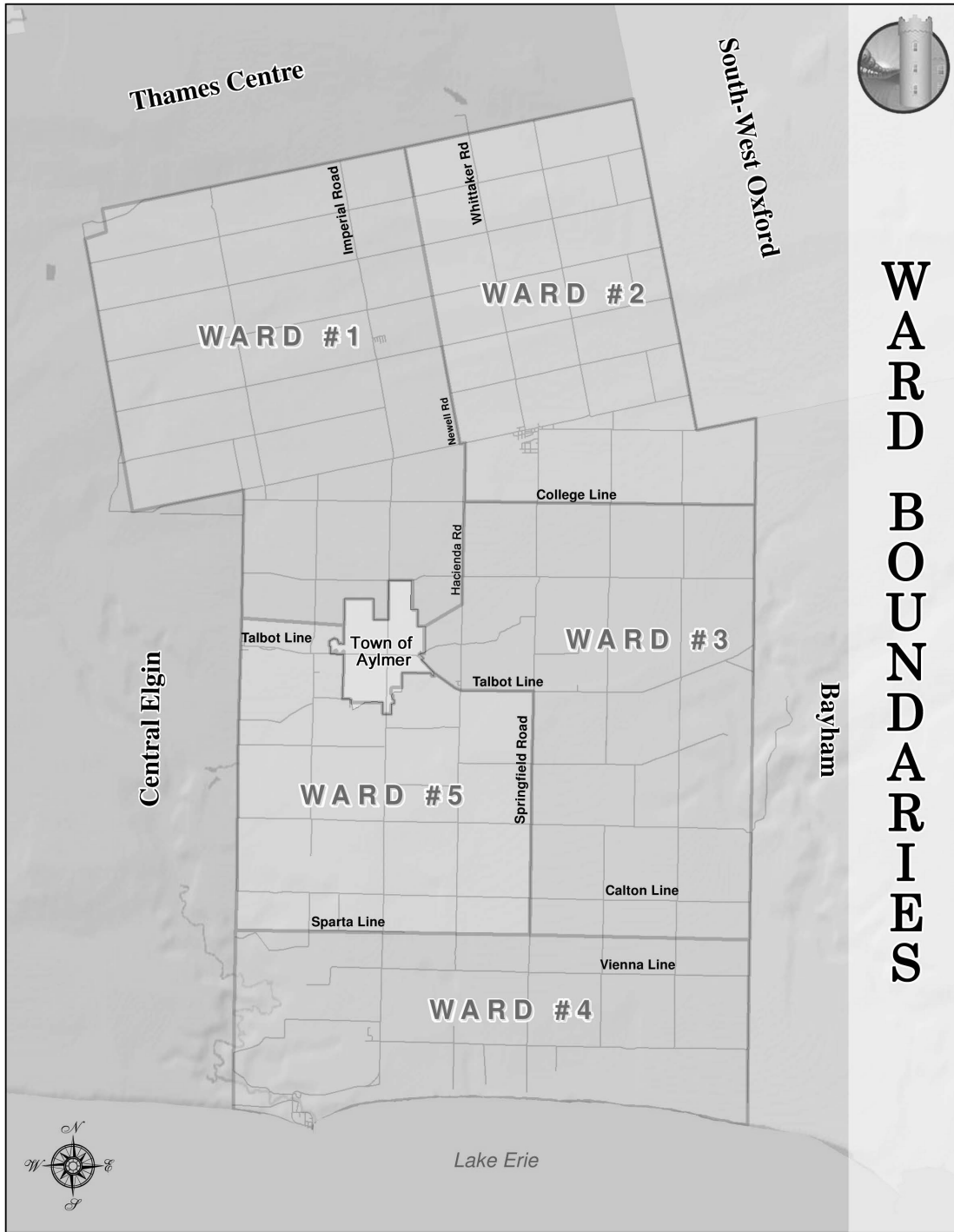
The survey is being conducted by a third party (Fanshawe College's Institutional Research Department). The data will be received and analyzed by Fanshawe's research team. Council and Staff will receive an aggregated report. Identifying aspects of responses will be removed.

Note that the report will be made available to the public, including all comments received.

**Tell us a little bit about yourself.** See next page.

Survey closed

1.



In which ward do you live, or operate your business:

- Ward 1
- Ward 2
- Ward 3
- Ward 4
- Ward 5

2. In which tax category is your property (check all that apply)

- Residential
- Farm
- Business
- Industrial

3. What is your age group:

- < 19 years old
- 20-29
- 30-39
- 40-49
- 50-59
- 60-69
- 70-79
- 80-89
- 90+

4. How many people in your household?

- 1 person
- 2 persons
- 3 persons
- 4 persons
- 5 or more persons

5. What is your highest level of education:

- Less than secondary (high) school completion
- Secondary (high) school diploma or equivalent
- College or trades, certificate or diploma
- Bachelor degree or higher

6. What is your household income

- less than \$30,000
- \$40,000 to less than \$50,000
- \$50,000 to less than \$60,000
- \$60,000 to less than \$70,000
- \$70,000 to less than \$80,000
- \$80,000 to less than \$90,000
- \$90,000 to less than \$100,000
- \$100,000 and over

**MALAHIDE AT ITS BEST**

7. Tell us about your best Malahide moment, a story that captures what you like best about Malahide:

Everything in our surroundings is evolving: our population is aging and growing, our housing needs are increasing, our infrastructure is aging, several large industries and local businesses are getting established in the area.

This means our Township needs to evolve and adjust too. We can't sit still! We have important decisions to make, with your tax dollars, for your community. So please tell us:

**As the Township considers ways to evolve and adjust to the needs of tomorrow, and considering the services provided by Malahide** (Animal Control and By-law Enforcement, Arts and Culture (shared with County), Economic Development, Fire Services, Garbage Collection and Recycling, Maintenance of Local Road Network, Parks and Recreation, Planning New Community Developments and Enhancing Existing Neighbourhoods, Side Walks, Snow Removal, Storm Sewers, Tax Collection, Water and Sewage)

8. In Malahide, we must keep or continue:

9. In Malahide, we need less of:

10. In Malahide, we need more of:

11. In Malahide, we need to start doing:

12. In Malahide, we need to stop doing:

13. Beyond essentials such as health, safety, sufficient income, what is most important to you, your family, or your business:

14. What are the most significant challenges you are facing?

15. Imagine it's 2033, 10 years from now: what is happening in Malahide, what do you see?

16. What do you hope will NOT happen in, or to Malahide in the next 10 years:

17. Anything else you want to say about Malahide's future?

Survey closed

## **Citizen Panel for Dialogue and Deliberations**

### **Follow Up and Citizen Panels**

When we receive the results of this survey, the Township may wish to follow up on some of the answers and, or organize citizens panels to discuss and deliberate the results in groups.

Follow ups will involve being contacted by the research team or being invited to participate in a series of facilitated group discussions.

18. With that in mind, please tell us about your interest by selecting your preferred options.  
Select all statements that apply to you:

- I want my name to be known and connected to my answers.
- I wish to remain anonymous.
- I am interested in participating in a citizen panel to deliberate results in groups (no expertise required).
- No, I am not interested in participating in any panels of follow up discussions.

19. If you wish for your name to be known, or if you might be interested in participating in a citizen panel discussion, please share your contact information.

**Name:**

**Address:**

**Email address:**

**Phone number:**

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME AND INPUT!**