



# **Municipal Development Plan**

## Community Survey

**The Village of Stirling is preparing a new Municipal Development Plan (MDP) and Council wants to hear from you!**

**The MDP is a provincially required planning document, which takes the Village of Stirling's goals and objectives for future development and creates policies that will aid in achieving them.**

**A key component in preparing a MDP is understanding what is important to residents of the community. Your opinions are essential in helping establish goals, objectives, and policies for Stirling's desired future.**

**Your input is important.**

**The survey only takes about 10 minutes to complete.**

**We look forward to hearing from you.**

**Please limit your responses to one survey per household.**

**Please return your completed survey to the Village of Stirling Municipal Office or by email to [haileywinder@orrsc.com](mailto:haileywinder@orrsc.com) by**

**June 25<sup>th</sup>, 2021**

**The Village thanks you for your time and participation!**

**SECTION I: COMMUNITY VISIONING**

The questions in this section will help identify community values and goals that will serve as the foundation for the forthcoming Plan.

**1 Overall, how would you rate Stirling as a place to live?**

- (a) excellent
- (b) good
- (c) average
- (d) poor
- (e) no opinion

**2 What are your top three reasons for living in Stirling?**

- (a) family
- (b) small town living
- (c) employment
- (d) low crime rate
- (e) affordable housing
- (f) lifestyle
- (g) schools
- (h) recreation opportunities
- (i) large lots
- (j) other (please specify):

**3 What do you like most about Stirling, or do not want to see changed?**

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**4 What do you like least about Stirling, or would like to see changed?**

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**5 What do you feel is the most important issue facing Stirling in the next ten years?**

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## SECTION II: FUTURE GROWTH

Moving into the future, change is inevitable for the Village. The input from the questions in this section will help identify areas of opportunity for development and general attitudes towards change in Stirling.

**6 In the future, would you like to see the Village:**

- (a) remain the same size
- (b) grow slowly (<2% annually – or 5 people/year)
- (c) grow moderately (2% annually – or 20 people/year)
- (d) grow rapidly (5% annually – or 65 people/year)
- (e) no opinion

**7 The province has stated that municipalities need to use land more efficiently. Which are the best ways that the Village can do this?**

- Reduce/limit the number of large residential lots
- Allow for more multi-unit housing
- Introduce an additional small lot district
- Allow for a variety of accessory dwellings
- Infill through lane widening and subdivision
- I do not support increased density
- No opinion

**8 Do you agree or disagree that more business and industry in Stirling is essential for the community to be sustainable into the future?**

- (a) agree
- (b) disagree
- (c) no opinion

**9 If yes, which facilities, services, businesses and industries would be most beneficial for the Village? Why?**

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**10 If the Village was to allow for limited alcohol sales, which of the following would be your preference:**

- (a) only for dine-in service at restaurants
- (b) only at a retail location (i.e. liquor store)
- (c) both for dine-in service at restaurants and at retail locations
- (d) no opinion
- (e) none of the above

**11 The Village currently has limited commercial activity. Where would you like to see commercial development?**

please specify where

- Within the Village boundaries
- Outside of the Village

### SECTION III: VILLAGE PRIORITIES

As the Village evolves, so too do the needs of the residents. The following questions will help evaluate municipal services, facilities and programs, in order to identify objectives and form policy to ensure residents can continue to enjoy the high quality-of-life Stirling has to offer.

#### 12 Do you think any of the following are an issue in Stirling?

	Major Issue	Minor Issue	Not an Issue	No Opinion
Housing Costs	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Housing Variety	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Seniors' Services (housing, care, transportation)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Youth Activities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Economic Development	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Minimal Commercial Development	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Municipal Infrastructure (sidewalks, roads, water)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Education	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Childcare Availability	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Community Appearance (design, streetscape)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Access to Local Government	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Bylaw Enforcement (junk, weeds, dogs, etc)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Municipal Taxes	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other (please specify): _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

#### 13 How would you rate the following services?

	Excellent	Good	Average	Poor	No Opinion
Road Maintenance	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Garbage Collection	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Police Protection	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Rescue Services (fire, rescue, ambulance)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
School	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Library	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Medical and Health Services	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Village Website	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Municipal Water System	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Municipal Sewer System	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Storm Drainage	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Public Recreational Facilities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

**14 How do you expect your housing needs to change over the next decade? Check all that apply:**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> I'll likely require more space   | <input type="checkbox"/> I'll likely need some level of home care assistance |
| <input type="checkbox"/> I'll likely require less space   | <input type="checkbox"/> I'll likely move into assisted living               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> I'll likely need a home that requires less maintenance                 | <input type="checkbox"/> There likely won't be a change in my housing needs  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> I'll likely need a home designed for better accessibility and mobility | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify):                             |
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**15 What is the best method for Village administration to communicate with residents? Check all that apply:**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Newsletter               | <input type="checkbox"/> Social media            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Village website          | <input type="checkbox"/> Word-of-mouth           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Community bulletin board | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify): |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Events calendar          |  |
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## SECTION IV: ABOUT YOU

The final set of questions provides a better understanding of the demographics of the community.

Please be assured your responses are anonymous.

**18 How many years have you lived in Stirling? \_\_\_\_\_ years.**

**19 Where did you live before you moved to Stirling?**

- Always lived in Stirling       Previously lived in: \_\_\_\_\_

**20 How long do you envision yourself living in Stirling?**

- (a) less than 5 years      (c) 10-20 years  
(b) 5-10 years      (d) the rest of my life

**21 Do you rent or own your home?**

- Rent       Own

**22 Do you own a business in Stirling?**

- Yes (please specify): \_\_\_\_\_  
 No

**23 Where do you work?**

- Village of Stirling       Town of Raymond       Other:  
 City of Lethbridge       Town of Magrath  
 County of Warner       N/A (not employed, retired)

**24 In your household, how many individuals fit into each age group?**

	#		#		#
0-9	_____	30-39	_____	60-69	_____
10-19	_____	40-49	_____	70-79	_____
20-29	_____	50-59	_____	80 or older	_____

**Please provide any additional comments you think would be useful to Council in considering the future of Stirling.**

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**THE VILLAGE THANKS YOU FOR YOUR TIME AND CONSIDERATION!**

**PLEASE STAY TUNED FOR MORE UPDATES ON THE MDP PROCESS AND HOW TO GET INVOLVED.**