

# Notice of Public Hearing

For a Proposed Minor Variance to Zoning By-law 32-2008  
Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, cP. 13., S. 45 (5)



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## FILE: ACW MV02-2025 Simpson

You are invited to participate in a **Public Hearing on Tuesday, August 12, 2025 at 9:00 a.m.**

To consider a Minor Variance to the Zoning By-Law. During this time, the Township Committee of Adjustment will consider the change.

### OWNER/APPLICANT:

Arthur Simpson c/o Catherine Simpson

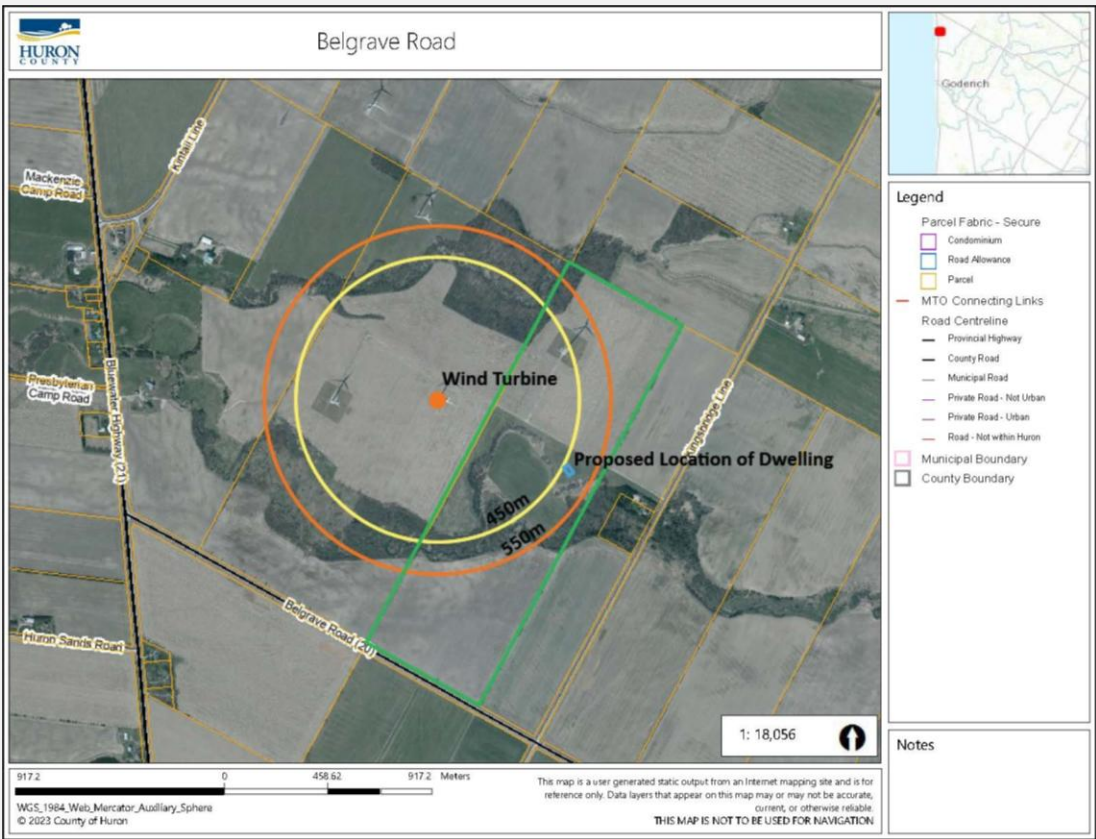
### LOCATION OF PROPERTY:

Concession 9 Western Division, Part Lot 7; Belgrave Road, Ashfield

## A change is proposed in your neighbourhood.

A Minor Variance Application has been received, that if approved, would grant relief from Section 3.30.1(a) (Setbacks from Commercial Scale Turbines for Separately Titled Lots) of the ACW Zoning By-law in order to construct a dwelling with the setback from a wind turbine on a separately titled parcel.

You are being notified of this application because your name appears on the assessment roll for properties within 60 metres of the subject lands, or you are an agency requiring notice.



## The Proposed Change

The applicant is seeking to construct a dwelling within the 550m setback as established in the Ministry of Environment's Certificate of Approval for Noise. Section 3.30.1(a) of the ACW Zoning By-law stipulates that, no new dwelling, recreational residence, hotel, motel, nursing home, retirement home, hospital, campground, school or place of worship on a separately titled lot shall be established within 450 metres of a commercial scale wind energy facility or within the distance established in the Ministry of Environment's Certificate of Approval (ECA) for Noise. The Certificate of Approval for Noise requires the setback for any development to be a minimum of 550m from wind turbines on separately titled lots. The proposed dwelling is proposed to have a setback of 450m from the wind turbine located to the west of the subject property. Therefore, relief is required in order to construct the dwelling with a decreased setback of 100m to the wind turbine resulting in a 20% reduction in the required setback.

The subject property is designated Agriculture and Natural Environment in the ACW Official Plan. It is zoned AG1 (General Agriculture) and NE1 (Natural Environment) in the ACW Zoning By-law.

### Learn More

Further information regarding this application can be found at <https://acwtownship.ca/develop-build/planning-development>. Questions may be directed to the Planner Meghan Tydd-Hrynyk at [mtydd-hrynyk@huroncounty.ca](mailto:mtydd-hrynyk@huroncounty.ca) or by calling 519-524-8394 extension 3.

### Have Your Say

Comments and opinions submitted on this proposal, including the originator's name and address, become part of the public record, and may be viewed by the general public and may be published in a planning report and Council agenda.

1. You can submit comments, objections, or concerns by mail (address above) or email to [clerk@acwtownship.ca](mailto:clerk@acwtownship.ca). For correspondence to be included as a part of the Agenda package distributed to Council please ensure that the Clerk has received it prior to 12:00 p.m. on the Thursday before the hearing.
2. You can speak during the public hearing. *\*Individuals are strongly encouraged to submit their comments prior to the hearing for consideration.*

If you are aware of any person interested in or affected by this application who has not received a copy of this notice, you are requested to inform that person of this hearing.

If you are receiving this notice because you are the owner of property in the area of the amendment that contains seven or more residential units, you must also post this notice in a location that is visible to all of the residents of your property.

### How to Access the Public Hearing

The hearing will be held at 82133 Council Line, Goderich, Ontario N7A 3Y2. It will also be Live Streamed on the Township's Website at [www.acwtownship.ca/government/agendas-minutes](http://www.acwtownship.ca/government/agendas-minutes).

You are entitled to attend this public hearing to express your views about this application, or you may be represented by counsel for that purpose.

For those persons who wish to make verbal comments at the hearing virtually, there is an option to join the hearing electronically. Please contact the Clerk's Department directly for a specific hearing invitation at [clerk@acwtownship.ca](mailto:clerk@acwtownship.ca). If you intend to speak by this option, please contact the Clerk prior to 12:00 p.m. on the Monday before the hearing.

For information on how to participate in the public hearing, please visit the municipal website at <https://www.acwtownship.ca/government/agendas-minutes>. The agenda for this public hearing will be published at the end of the business day on the Friday before the hearing. If you have any questions regarding how to participate in the hearing, please call the municipal office at 519-524-4669, or email [clerk@acwtownship.ca](mailto:clerk@acwtownship.ca).

### Failure to Attend

If you do not attend the hearing, it may proceed in your absence and, except as otherwise provided in the Planning Act, you will not be entitled to any further notice in the proceedings.

### Stay Informed

If you would like to be notified of the decision of the Committee of Adjustment, you **must** make a written request to the Clerk at the municipal address above, or by email to [clerk@acwtownship.ca](mailto:clerk@acwtownship.ca). This will also entitle you to be advised of a possible Ontario Land Tribunal (OLT) hearing if the decision of this application is appealed.



**DATED** July 21, 2025