



# Municipality of Dysart et al

## Policies and Procedures Manual

# Municipal Cannabis Policy

Policy No. 50

### SCOPE:

This policy applies to the retail sales of recreational cannabis in the Municipality of Dysart et al.

### POLICY STATEMENT:

The purpose of this policy is to provide a format for municipal government input to the Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario (AGCO) as well as help prospective recreational cannabis retailers in their consideration of a location of cannabis retail stores in the Municipality of Dysart et al.

The AGCO is the provincial authority that licences cannabis retail operators, authorizes cannabis retail locations and licenses senior store staff. Municipal governments have no licensing authority.

The AGCO regulates and reviews all aspects of the retail operation including municipal and public input, that the proposed store location is consistent with the public interest as defined in the regulations.

The Municipality of Dysart et al has chosen to allow retail sales of recreational cannabis. The following provides municipal staff with guidance on commenting to AGCO when notice on a specific proposed cannabis retail store sit is provided on the site location.

### Principles for Cannabis Retail Store Locations:

- **Land Use Planning:** The provincial licensing process does not remove the requirement to comply with the zoning by-law and other municipal planning documents. The definitions with the municipality's Official Plan and Zoning By-law are applicable to all retail, including cannabis retail stores. Retail sale of cannabis from a provincially licensed store is legal and is a permitted use in the retail zones.

- **Municipal Building Inspections:** While the licencing of the store operation is the responsibility of the AGCO, the Building Code applies to cannabis retail store locations. Therefore, where a building permit is required, the building inspector will undertake the dues as usual. Fire Code compliance is also mandatory.

For the purposes of this policy, a cannabis retail store shall mean a store licenced by the AGCO.

1. Cannabis Retail Stores and Sensitive Activities:

In order to help ensure public health and safety, protect youth and reduce illegal sales, the AGCO is encouraged to consider in their placement of approved Cannabis Retail Stores, sensitive uses such as the Trillium Lakelands District School Board property, including the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School, J.D. Hodgson Elementary School and Stuart Baker Elementary School in Haliburton, public parks, the Haliburton Youth Hub (12 Dysart Avenue, Haliburton) and Point in Time Support for Children Youth and Parents (69 Eastern Avenue, Haliburton).

2. Retail stores are permitted in the following zones:

- General Commercial (C)
- Highway Commercial (CH)
- Tourist Commercial (CT)

Refer to the Municipality of Dysart et al Zoning By-law for the definition of Retail Store.

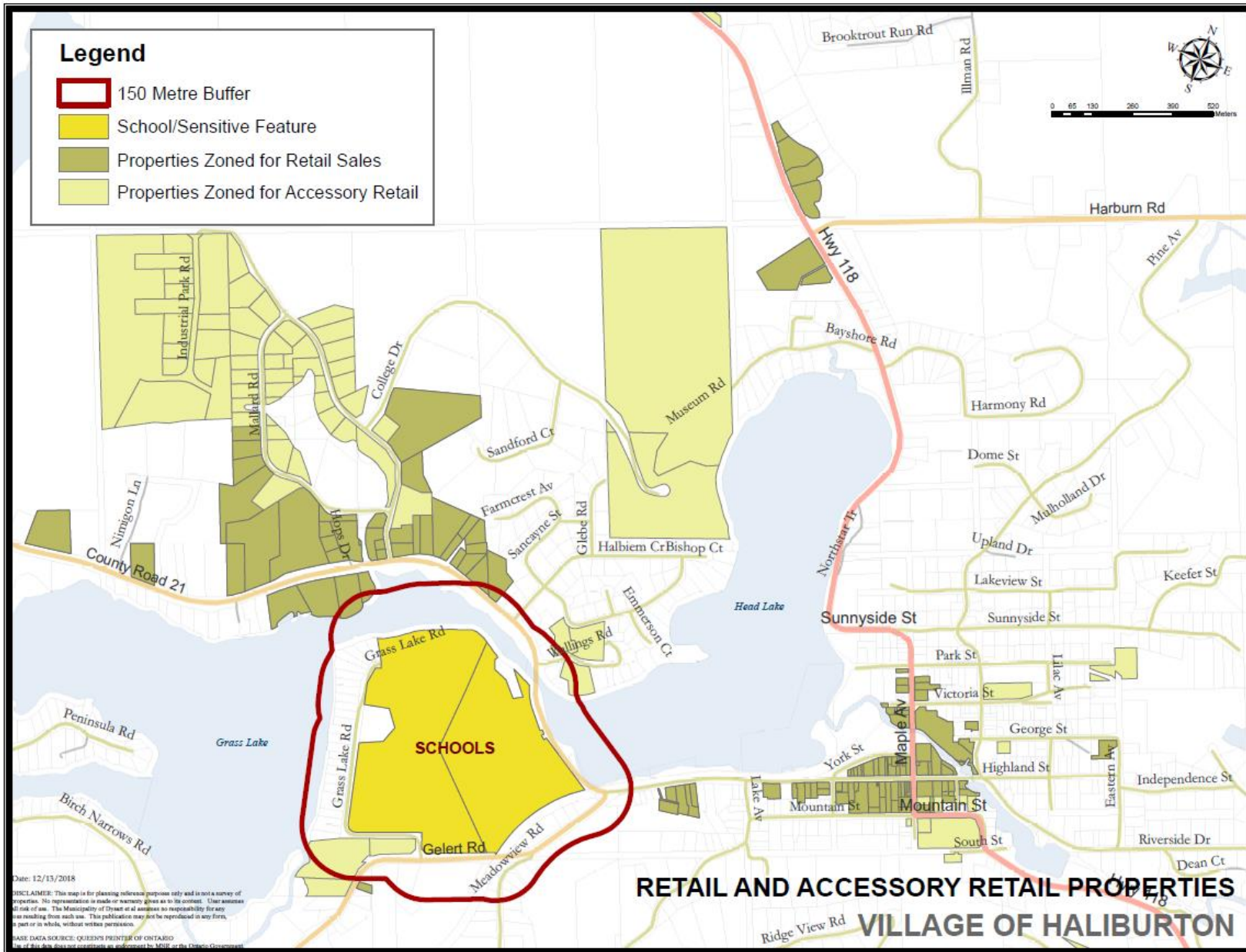
3. Accessory Retail Stores are permitted in the following zones:

- Highway Commercial (CH)
- Tourist Commercial (CT)
- Urban Institutional (IU)
- Rural Institutional (IR)
- General Industrial (M)

Refer to the Municipality of Dysart et al Zoning By-law for the definition of Accessory.

4. Attached as Appendix A, B, C and D are maps showing the retail/commercial zones within the Municipality of Dysart et al.

Appendix A to the Dysart et al Retail Cannabis Policy Statement



Appendix B to the Dysart et al Retail Cannabis Policy Statement



Appendix C to the Dysart et al Retail Cannabis Policy Statement



Appendix D to the Dysart et al Retail Cannabis Policy Statement

