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Subject: FW: Planning Application Fees Review - Report and Chart for Council Meeting Agenda

Hi Janice and Andrea,

I have now heard back from all of the CAO's and/or Clerks across the County and they are all fine with the planning application fees as proposed, so we are good to proceed to take this to local Council.

Attached please find the finalized report and chart for your next available Council meeting agenda.

This is outlined in the report, but if it is helpful for speaking notes, here are the key messages:

1. The approach to planning fees in Huron County has been to achieve a balance: fees do not represent full cost recovery but also do not place the burden of development fees entirely on the tax base.
2. Changes to Planning legislation and local policies, staff time required to process increasingly complex applications, the implementation costs of the County-wide co-ordinated planning application processing and tracking system (Cloud Permit), and increased inflation costs all contribute to the need for increased fees.
3. Overall, the proposed fees remain in line with the average fees between comparator, neighbouring municipalities.

I have copied Victor so that he is in the loop and can be in attendance for this item to help answer any questions.

Please let me know how things go at the meeting.

Thanks for your help with this process.

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