

Reelect Crispin Colvin OFA Director Zone 6: Lambton Middlesex



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Experience

- . Live and farm in Middlesex County since 1971
- . 4 H Leader Sheep Club: 1990-1994
- . Municipal Council Thames Centre: 1991-2006, Mayor 2003-2006
- . Middlesex County Councillor: 1994-2006, Warden: 2000
- . Western University Board Member: 2002-2006
- . Fanshawe College Board Member: 2007-2013, Chair 2012-2013
- . RBC Place London Convention Centre Board: 2014-2020, Chair 2020
- . London Training Centre Board: 2013-2023
- . RAWF Governor: 2007-2011
- . Farm and Food Care Ontario Board: 2020-Present, Chair 2023-2025
- . Bilingual: French - English

I am pleased to let my name stand for reelection for the position of Director for Zone 6, Lambton and Middlesex.

As your director, I have brought your concerns to the board table. Many of the issues that impact Lambton and Middlesex also affect other parts of Ontario. The biggest challenge we face is the continued encroachment of urban areas on our farmland. Ontario grows over 200 different crops. This is due to our unique soil and climate. No other province has this ability. It is imperative that we maintain a strong voice to lobby all levels of government on the need to protect our farmland.

I have raised many concerns on behalf of Lambton and Middlesex such as the hydro corridors. We need to have full transparency on the issue from Hydro One and we need to work towards proper compensation for the land lost to the hydro towers. Compensation must also be fair for the farmers' loss of production during the construction period as well.

Other issues raised are wind turbines, landfills, battery energy storage, processing capacity, red tape, inter provincial trade and tariffs. These are just a few of the issues raised by members. On each of these topics, I have expressed the concerns of Lambton and Middlesex members.

I continue to represent Lambton and Middlesex members at council meetings, roundtables with MPP's as well as meet with many local politicians and business leaders. It is important to take the time necessary to talk with as many people as possible about the needs and value of agriculture. I have the time. My experience on various boards brings a balanced view point to the OFA board. I look forward to your support so that I may continue to represent Lambton and Middlesex members on the OFA Board of Directors.