

Benefits of Cottage Housing

The housing stock in the Town of Hamilton is almost entirely single-family homes on individual lots. Given the high cost of even entry-level homes and the 20,000sf minimum lot for new developments in certain areas of Town, there needs to be another option for those that want to downsize, those that want a newer home with less maintenance, those that don't want to move to an apartment in another town, and those that want a small, sustainable home, that is part of a community with green space and open space.

- Diversifies housing choice
- Clusters homes close together to allow for open green spaces, better utilization of land
- Smaller, more sustainable homes. Small footprints, typically 1-1.5 stories.
- The clustering of small homes around green spaces minimize the perception of mass
- Close proximity of homes foster a sense of community, familiarity and safety