



**To:** His Worship the Mayor and Members of Council  
**From:** Claire Ohrling, Operations Technologist  
**Report Number:** OT-2025-01  
**Subject:** Russel Branch Drain – Petition & Appointment of Engineer  
**Meeting Date:** April 2, 2025

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**Recommendation:**

**THAT** Report OT-2025-01 be accepted as information,

**AND THAT Council** accept the signed drainage petition for construction of a new tile drain, under Section 4 of the Drainage Act,

**AND FURTHER THAT** Council instruct the Clerk to notify the Upper Thames River Conservation Authority of the Township’s intention to appoint an engineer under Section 4 of the Drainage Act to prepare a survey plan and report on the construction of a new municipal drain,

**AND FURTHER THAT** Council appoint K. Smart & Associates Limited as the engineer to prepare a report under Section 4 of the Drainage Act for construction of a new municipal drain.

**Report:**

The Township has received a petition under Section 4 of the Drainage Act for the construction of a new branch drain in the area of the Russel Award Drain, located in the Township of East Zorra-Tavistock. The request for improvements is a result of landowners looking to improve drainage within the watershed. The lands on the petition presented as part of this report about the lands on the Russel Award Drain petition brought to Council in September 2024.

The area of land requiring drainage is described as Northeast Part Lot 30, Concession 10.

**Financial Implications:**

Minimal financial implications. Exact amount to be determined during engineer's initial report (road drainage areas).

**Strategic Plan Linkage:**

- Financial Sustainability
- Good Governance
- Infrastructure
- Service Delivery
- Community Vitality
- Environmental Awareness

**Attachments:**

- Appendix A - Signed Petition
- Appendix B - Map Showing Area of Petition

## Report Approval Details

Document Title:	Russel Award Drain Petition.docx
Attachments:	- Appendix B - Map Showing Russel Award Drain Area.pdf - Appendix A - Signed Petition.pdf
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This report and all of its attachments were approved and signed as outlined below:

John Scherer

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