

From: Stacy Cattran

Subject: Whitelaw Development

Hi Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Billings, Councillor Salisbury, and Ms. Nasswetter,

I know that we need more affordable housing in Guelph. I know that it is better for the environment to have new developments more densely populated. I know that needs to happen in areas not traditionally densely populated, including my own. I can live with that.

But I am concerned about a proposed very densely populated development at Whitelaw and Paisley that will have thousands of people and does not meet the proposed number of parking spaces as mandated by the city. This is a development that it is on the very edge of Guelph. Many people moving here will be heading out Paisley or Whitelaw to pick up the 401 or commute to Cambridge or KW or Guelph's business park. Some will be part of two adult homes that can't juggle work and manage extra-curriculars for themselves and their children without two cars. We are not located in downtown Toronto (whew!) where it is much easier to get by with one car or no car. The reality is that almost all middle class families living in the suburbs of Guelph have two vehicles. They also have family and friends who want to be able to visit.

I'm not suggesting that apartments can't be built at Whitelaw and Paisley though I wish the scale was smaller. But I am suggesting at the very least we stick to the bylaws that exist and not permit more apartments than can support reasonable parking spaces.

Thank you for your time,

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