

I am very disturbed that this agenda is still alive.

I understood that there was a considerable voice of protest back a year or more ago when the proposal for a bridge from Emma to Earl Streets was first made.

At that time, I sent a detailed letter, along with many other residents, stating the reasons that this bridge is a bad idea:

**#1 A total waste of precious public money** - needed for so many other causes - affordable housing, increased mental health services, support for hospitals, childrens' services, library, road maintenance etc.

2 The bridges already existing at Norwich St. and Speedvale Ave. provide easy and accessible river crossings. Am a cyclist and walker who uses both of these bridges on a very regular basis.

3 The further ecology disruption for wildlife along the river.

4. The concern of Emma St residents for increased bike and pedestrian traffic in our quiet neighbourhood.

Please consider these comments in relation to the OPA 81 proposal for this bridge. Including my councillors who we hope will vote against it!!!

Respectfully submitted by Carol McMullen