

Good day,

My name is Janet Chevalier and I live on [REDACTED], just meters away from the Armtec Factory site. Last evening our neighbourhood had a meeting to hear about the city's preliminary plans for high density housing in that location should the property be sold and development be proposed.

I strenuously object to the high density designation, regardless of the city planning recommendations. I am curious if anyone from the committees involved has visited the site in question and the city street access to that site. I expect it could be enlightening for all concerned.

My biggest concern is regarding traffic and safety. We who live adjacent to that property experience difficulty exiting our streets to get to Woolwich currently. The streets are narrow and busy with motor vehicle traffic, cyclists accessing the trans Canada trail, children on bicycles, in strollers, parents walking children to and from school and seniors, myself included, who walk frequently. I can't envision how traffic could possibly move safely and effectively in and out of any residential development at that site. As one of my neighbours suggested (quite ingeniously) perhaps the only reasonable solution is to designate that area for residents who don't own vehicles, unless disabled. I suppose there are other ways to develop the property in the future, perhaps medium density makes more sense.

Other areas of concern are contamination at the site and an environmental assessment regarding the river and watershed. None of these issues are easily remedied. Given concern for the environment, reduction of green house gases for example, any residential development should have those issues front of mind. And how can that be done with a high density structure.

And I pay a hefty little tax bill here in Guelph every year. I expect prudent and informed decisions to be made on my behalf and that of my neighbours and friends. High density housing plan for the Armtec site seems out of step with all the city government proposes for our future.

Please document convey my objections to this high density designation for this property at the council meeting scheduled for July 11th.

thank you

Janet Chevalier

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