

I am writing to register my disappointment at the weak and noncommittal language in the Draft Plan for the Reformatory Conservation District.

I am concerned that the plan provides little strong protection language.

Some of my concerns are listed below:

It minimizes heritage protections currently in place and makes them secondary to a weak conservation plan.

Why does the plan suggest “**seek to**” respect the stone walls, ponds, parkland trees, field boundaries, gardens, wetlands, waterways, wooded areas, routes and transition areas, instead of demand it? (6.2.1)

Why is removal and demolition green lit with no framework other than whether someone, presumably a developer, decides what is “feasible.”

I am concerned about the negative impact the plan as it currently stands would have on:

- Heritage conservation of landscapes, buildings, ponds and waterways
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- Natural heritage systems and a diminished possibility for rewilding and/or species protection, etc

Please consider carefully the feedback you receive regarding this plan.

Guelph should care about its precious and unique heritage and heritage lands.

Once left unprotected there will be unwelcome consequences.

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