

April 10, 2018

Mr. Glenn McGlashon
Director of Planning and Development
Corporation of The Town of Cobourg
Victoria Hall
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Dear Mr. McGlashon,

The undersigned property owners in the George Street Heritage District would like to provide some input as a follow-up to the Tannery Master Plan Public Meeting held March 28, 2018.

Specifically we would like to address the 5 site plan options that were discussed at the meeting.

We have noted that each of the options shows that Alice Street will be extended and become a through street beyond Crossen Street. As such Alice Street will represent an alternative and parallel roadway to University Avenue.

As a group, we have serious concerns about a number of issues in this regard including the following:
Increased traffic levels on Alice Street, Roe Street, and Crossen Street.

Reduced property values

Increased pollution

Increased risk to young children who live in 2 of the 3 houses facing onto Alice Street.

We feel that increased traffic is at odds with at least 2 of the 10 Principles of One Planet Living. We would not want to see a double standard applied to those of us who are existing taxpayers.

As background, you should be aware that in our opinion there is already a safety issue at the corner of Roe and Alice Streets. People use these streets as a 'cut-through' to avoid the stop lights at University and George. Although there is a stop sign at the north end of Roe, many cars ignore the sign and make turns that are completely unsafe. As well, there has been at least one phone call to the Cobourg Police asking if they could stop motorists headed southbound to stop using that intersection in a manner much like a racetrack. As a recent example of our concerns, a young driver (travelling with some friends) who was seemingly exceeding the speed limit, literally knocked over the stop sign at the corner of Alice and George Streets. The Town Works Department had to replace the sign.

We also believe that the extension of Alice Street would fly in the face of a number of the tenets mentioned at the meeting, particularly the mental and physical health of those of us whose homes face directly onto Alice Street.

Given the existing factory on Princess Street, and the fact that tractor trailers regularly use both George and Princess Streets to access that property we would propose that the access to the property on the east-west corridor run solely through Princess Street. This would thereby encompass the rest of the

industrial lands at the North end of the Tannery District. It would also keep traffic off of Alice Street for those who were just looking for a way to circumvent University Avenue.

That would keep the peace and quiet of a very important, and very old part of the existing heritage district.

Thank you for your time and attention to our concerns, and our proposed solution.

Respectfully submitted by the following property owners:

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