

To whom it may concern from very concerned parents,

We are a young family who have recently learned about the proposal being put forth to turn the current Black Pearl Motel into a homeless shelter at 705 Fanshawe Park Rd W.

We are completely OPPOSED to this idea for several reasons.

1. Living near the Snake Creek ravine (our property is directly attached) will now further encourage possible criminal activities that would prey on vulnerable women and children
2. The paraphernalia it would leave behind would jeopardize the safety and bring possible harm to my young children and others who walk the path on a daily basis
3. The location would encourage other criminals to frequent the area at a much higher rate.
4. Loss of business for the businesses in and around the areas
5. The area as of late has had many scary instances and this will just increase the fear I already have of walking the trails with our children and even them simply being in the backyard.
6. Placing this location in a surrounding area of many residential streets, encourages and gives opportunity for break ins, both homes and vehicles, for the purpose of feeding drug addiction.

We moved to this area 10 years ago before any new builds were present. We moved here to be part of a quiet neighbourhood and to raise our family with the feeling of safety and security. The location of this homeless/drug addiction shelter impedes those feelings entirely. So much thought needs to go into a process such as this and as needed as a shelter of this is, you MUST also consider the hardworking people who pay for a safe place to lay theirs and their children's head down to sleep at night and the stress and anxiety it would cause them.

I hope that you can see how important this is to us and to our young children.

Sincerely,
Aaron and Dayna Hoffmann

Resident on Fox Hollow Cres.