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To: Council Agenda <councilagenda@london.ca>

Subject: [EXTERNAL] No hubs near toyshops, parks, residential area that allow drug usage

To whom it may concern,

I understand that homelessness problem should be solved.

I chose Canada because it is a democratic country. But it feels like democracy is falling in London. Obviously the majority of neighbourhoods around 705 Fanshaw Park Rd.W oppose this hub. So will you listen to your voters? It will have an adverse impact on safety. You are councillors and you are supposed to improve the life of Londoners. So make the life of communities in the East of London, West, South, North and downtown safe. Do not throw these hubs as hot potatoes all around the city adding to the pain. Our neighborhood was not consulted, not warned about this hub. This hub will not solve the problem of homelessness but it will add more pain.

My children want to go to guitar lessons to Long and McQuade (10 meters from the hub), we often visit Mastermind Toys that is 5 meters from this future hub. So now I need to warn them about the needles? What about residential houses that are adjacent to these hubs?

In July you promised no rezoning will be required. And now we have rezoning and drug usage tolerance? It feels like betrayal...

At the meeting (September 25th) the mayor mentioned that it will house women with children. Will you allow children to be at a place where people use drugs? Do you realize how dangerous it is? Do you care about homeless children? Now I doubt it...

Please think about your decision thoroughly. Imagine what happens when the first needle is found, when the first encampment will be made in the Medway Creek....

Please be the enforcement of democracy.

I truly believe that no hubs that allow drug usage should be placed near any residential areas, shops and businesses for children.

You may share this email.

Thank you,

Iryna Omelchenko