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**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Green Planning Development Standards

RE: Green Development Standards

Dear Planning and Environmental Committee

I am Richel Joy Bareng, a Grade 12 student at Sir Wilfred Laurier Secondary School taking up the course Environmental and Resource Management. I am concerned about what is currently happening to our nature specially plants and wildlife. We all know that if we let this continue and not do anything about it , there will be a lot of problems that will happen in the future.

I want to propose that we prioritize Green Development Standards before it's too late and start implementing things that can benefit both people and the environment. One of the solutions we know is building an EV Charging Station. Next we should do a plan in which it aims to eliminate the use of fossil fuels like building bicycle parking and letting others who don't own a bicycle. I also suggest that we should make public transport more accessible and cheaper. Lastly, We should also start implementing Green Architecture which requires new building houses or any infrastructure to have an area in which residents can grow their own food/plants.

First, building EV Charging Stations because electric vehicles promote massive reduction in carbon emissions and cleaner air. Second is building bicycle parking spaces and letting others rent bikes so that we can promote healthy lifestyle and a less polluted mode of transportation. Next is more accessible and cheaper public transport like buses because one of the reasons people buy cars is because the bus stop is far from their homes so they prefer driving and some also think about the cost of the public transportation. Another one is that new building prior to adoption of Green Development Standard be required to have a plan in which new infrastructures have an area for the residents to grow their plants/foods.

Many developers already operate in nearby cities that have green development standards. Prioritizing Green Development Standards and harmonizing London's standards to be consistent with other Ontario cities will give the London development industry a clear and consistent roadmap and ensure we do not fall behind.

Respectfully yours,

RICHEL BARENG