February 11, 2024

To London City Council:

I would like to voice my concern over Royal Premier Development's proposal to build two commercial buildings which will include a McDonald's at the southeast corner of Adelaide Street and Windermere Road.

I urge London City Council to consider the environmental impact of the proposal which Council's planning and environment committee has endorsed. The site of the proposed development is in an environmentally significant area of London, which includes Kilally Woods and the Thames River. Both are home to rich and diverse ecosystems, including species at risk.

The increased traffic resulting from the density of development in the area would disrupt the fragile balance of these ecosystems and have a negative impact on wildlife habitat. It is unlikely that these effects could be reversed in the future.

It is important for our green spaces to be protected. They are fundamental to the health of this city and help to mitigate the effects of climate change. Development should take place in areas which will have limited environmental repercussions. It is incumbent upon us to consider the impact of this development on future generations. Rather than building another McDonald's, we should be focusing on making life in this city more sustainable for the long term.

I strongly appeal to London City Council to reject this proposal for commercial development.

Sincerely,

Elaine Brander