

Hi

This email to you the Members of the Civic Works Committee concerns agenda item 2.12 to be discussed May 22 2024.

Thank you for taking the first step in looking into the use of gas powered lawn care equipment and highlighting the needless hazard of the noise and contribution to poor air quality.

I am most concerned with gas leaf blowers which have a very negative affect on my quality of life as a resident of London.

Your report makes some useful recommendations. Phasing out use by the city is a good start. However lawn companies are big users of this equipment in my neighbourhood.

The noise is my biggest problem and I believe that the noise often exceeds noise by laws. I wonder if enforcement of noise by laws would be a useful tool to reduce their use. That would be a good recommendations to include.

Quiet electric leaf blowers are widely available!

It is good that your propose to involve the lawn care industry association in finding solutions. It would also be good to include community organisations that have been involved in promoting awareness and prompting action.

For example Climate Action London and Quiet Communities should be included.

I feel like London could show some leadership by making the recommendations a bit stronger by including such groups that represent citizens.

Thank you for your work. It is definitely a step in the right direction.

I consent to this message being placed on the public record.

Regards,
Lisa Seguin