

Dear Cathy,

Please add this communication to the Agenda for the coming Council meeting.

Thank you. sincerely, Carol Richardson,

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TO: Your Worship Mayor Fontana and Councilors, City of London.

It is with disbelief that I understand people who have encroached upon the Environmentally Significant Areas in two parts of the city are now being approved by Corporate Services Committee to purchase the very land they have encroached upon.

Please do not approve this precedent where illegal encroachment into an Environmentally Significant Area is now being rewarded by offering up those lands for sale, to be forever lost to their particular ESA. And those responsible landowners who have removed their encroachments and are allowing their area to naturalize under the "Return to Nature" program will now regret their responsive attitude to the law (why should they have bothered? Now that land is not available for them to purchase.) This is definitely a "slippery slope"... It seems illogical to approve the sale of these public lands which are legally protected and of value to our natural heritage.

Please do not allow this slow erosion of our natural land which is there for all Londoners.

Thank you for considering this appeal to uphold the law and retain these parcels of land in their specific ESA'S and hopefully the precedent will be established to protect natural heritage lands, not to sell these off as being "surplus".

sincerely, Carol Richardson.