

January 9, 2012

Communication to: London City Council

Re: 1st Report of the Community Services Committee

Agenda Item #6 East-Southeast Recreation Facility Siting Project
(from consent items #9 Dec. 19, 2011 committee report)

From: W. Brock

This letter is sent to you to get clarification on what is going to happen with the approval of recommendations.

The project "Having a Conversation" was the theme for this undertaking. The guidelines to participants was as to whether one or two sites should be considered. The rationale within that framework is included in the report. However, since the past December meeting some things have come to light. Updated information:

- *An earlier report (2003) indicated a major facility should be built in the Southeast area. There has also been a process around the City of London Meadowlily Secondary Plan including the community.

- *The data used in this report indicates standards for facilities clearly shows east and southeast have the numbers for 2 complete packages (indoor pool 55,000 population).

- * The Stoneycreek catchment area is only 37,000 at present time. (indoor pool).

- * Without assessing facilities within each area (role of consultant not task force).

It appears that the area bounded by the river on the north side and Highbury Ave. on the west will have nothing even though 2003 indicated in the future they should have.

Timelines in this area goes from 2003 -- 2018 -- ?

The process doesn't take into account joint ventures; school accommodation changes in next 5 years.

Could this be addressed as part of your decision and not included in file just for posterity?