

Nature London

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February 16, 2016

Community and Protective Services Committee (Councillors Bill Armstrong, Virginia Ridley, Mo Salih, Harold Usher and Jared Zaifman) City Hall London, Ontario

Dear Councillors Armstrong, Ridley, Salih, Usher and Zaifman:

Re: Re funding for By-law enforcement in the City of London

On behalf of Nature London, I request that the Community and Protective Services Committee will vote at its meeting tomorrow, February 17, to increase funding for By-law enforcement in the City of London. Nature London is particularly concerned about illegal encroachment onto ESA properties by some neighbouring property owners, who 'appropriate' ESA property for their own use; the erection of structures such as forts and fire pits, or the placing of other materials such as swimming pool drain hoses, refuse dumps, etc. in ESAs; and the illegal feeding of wildlife in ESAs. Current enforcement of by-laws appears to be weak because of too few officers employed to carry out the task.

Thank you for considering Nature London's request.

Sincerely,

Anita Caveney. 46 Kingspark Crescent London, ON N6H 4C4.

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