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Chair and Members
Planning and Environment Committee

Re: Request for Neighborhood Plan - Oxford Park

Oxford Park: A community bounded by Oxford Street to the north, Woodward Avenue to the east, Riverside Drive to the south and Beaverbrook Avenue to the west.

The residents in the area currently deal with some of the City's worst road conditions in London. The residents are concerned it may be some time before infrastructure renewal will occur, when sewer and stormwater is replaced or in some locations, stormwater added for the first time. All this is well overdue, yet presents the City with an opportunity to develop a Neighbourhood Plan.

This area is well established with significant older urban forest in place, including many large evergreens. The area also attracts people of varying ages, to live in this diverse community. There exists a timely opportunity to further strengthen a community that is within a reasonable walking distance to the Downtown, already serviced by public transit and within close proximity to Cherryhill Mall.

A Neighbourhood Plan would allow for all City departments to work together. A review of zoning would ensure that intensification and new development is complimentary to the existing, unique 1950's housing. Departmental work can be coordinated, to bring about the best possible infrastructure and development for strengthening a healthy, liveable community.

Respectfully,

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