

Attn: City Clerk Office
City of London
300 Dufferin Avenue
PO. Box 5035
London, ON N6A 4L9

RE: 1276154 Ontario Limited (Ontario Addictions Treatment Centres) 425 Wharncliffe Road –
Methadone Clinic

Dear; Sir/Madam,

We would like to let you know about our concerns regarding the potential of a methadone clinic moving into the location at 425 Wharncliffe Road. We have lived in Manor/Highland area for just over ten years now and have seen this neighborhood turn around. There are many gems in this area including Euston Hill which the Friends of the Coves are protecting and reviving it into an area that will attract nature lovers, including children. Euston Hill is located directly behind this location. Just a hop away from the Dairy Queen which is also attracts children and families alike. Across from Euston Hill located at the corner of Emery is Western Day Care, which many local families depend on. This day care has a very good reputation but with the concerns of needles and drug paraphernalia in there play ground they will lose many customers.

Although it is not advantageous to have a methadone clinic in this spot because of the close location where many children go, there are also two other methadone clinics in close proximity. Thinking of the people in this community and not being naïve to the fact that there might be a need, we feel that this community has enough methadone clinics to serve the local population. Putting more methadone clinics in this area will only saturate the neighborhood. From reading the Methadone Clinic study this is something that was recommended to avoid. So we would like to ask what is considered over saturating a neighborhood. We would like you to consider that allowing this methadone clinic into this neighborhood would in fact be saturating it, our needs have been met and doing so would only ruin the businesses and property values in this area.

Sincerely,

Graham and Erika Marks
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