

March 26, 2013

To the Chair and Members of the Planning and Environment Committee:

Councillor Polhill (Chair)
Mayor Fontana
Councillor Branscombe
Councillor Henderson
Councillor Hubert
Councillor White

North Medway Valley Trail ESA - Planning and Environment Committee Meeting and Public Participation Meeting – April 9th

Thank you for the opportunity to provide input into the Medway Valley Trail Discussion. I am a resident of the area and will be directly impacted by the recommendation the Planning and Environment Committee makes on this issue. For this reason, I hope that you will factor my input into your decision making process.

The 2005 Medway Valley Master Plan identified a 3.5 to 4.0 metre continuous multi-use asphalt pathway with five bridges and connections to adjacent communities be developed alongside Medway Creek and to be installed in conjunction with the sewer trunk line installation. This plan was reviewed and endorsed by many community groups including The City of London's Accessibility Advisory Committee. The plan also had approval from various levels of municipal and provincial government including the Ministry of Environment (in the form of Environmental Assessment).

Many residents of the Sunningdale Subdivision, including myself made purchasing decisions based on the approved 2005 Medway Valley Master Plan as the subdivision provided a safe and enjoyable place for families and residents to exercise and enjoy the valley while providing access to the City's trail network.

In 2011 the City of London completed the north portion of the sewer trunk line and **did not** install the recreational pathway in conjunction with the sewer line installation as planned in the 2005 Medway Valley Master Plan. The City of London backed out on the 2005 Medway Valley Master Plan and embarked on a public consultation aimed at limiting recreation and access in the Medway Valley to protect the environmentally significant area (ESA).

After attending three public meetings I walked away feeling that the opinions of the residents of my community were not being heard. Based on this experience myself and some other concerned community members formed a group, "The Sunningdale West

Residents Association". The first order of business for this group was to draft a petition and talk with the residents of the area. This effort received excellent support from the community with signatures from 207 residents collected in support of pathway Option 4A (Continuous Asphalt Link). The petition was submitted to the City in response to their request for public input after the Nov.7 meeting and has been included in the planning report.

Since this time The Sunningdale West Residents Association has attended three Medway Valley Trail Public Advisory Group (PAG) meetings which included a site visit. During these meetings we have continued to advocate for a pathway system that will service families with strollers, elderly, and community members with physical challenges. Unfortunately, we have faced continued opposition to completing a pathway that will meet these needs.

At this time The City of London – Parks Planning Division is recommending pathway option 5B. A major concern of option 5B is that a 1 meter wide dirt hiking trail does not provide the access that the majority of users desire because this will be muddy, "natural" (potentially very overgrown) , and will not be accessible to families with strollers, elderly, and community members with physical challenges.

While recognizing that this pathway system is located in the environmentally significant area it is important to note that it is installed over a sewer trunk line in an urbanized area. This provides a unique opportunity to provide access into this natural area for members of our community that may not normally be able to access such areas.

The location of this ESA with adjacent communities on all sides will produce a large number of users. This is evident by usage studies by The City of London which showed 2900 people crossed the existing pathway bridge in November of 2012. We believe that providing a pathway system as described in option 4A (Continuous Asphalt Link) is the only practical way to move this volume of users through the area in a way which protects the environment.

Please include this letter within the Planning and Environment Meeting Agenda Package.

Sincerely,



Chris & Carolyn Sheculski

2025 Wallingford Ave

March 20, 2013

To the Chair and Members of the Planning and Environment Committee:

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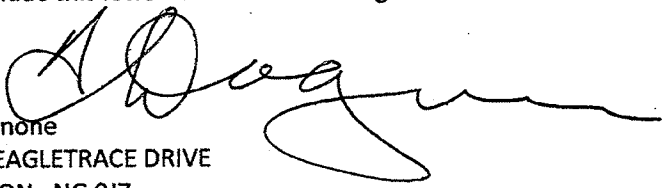
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As a local resident, I plan to use this pathway for the community connections to the adjacent subdivisions it will bring and also for the physical, social and emotional benefits. As an active person who appreciates the outdoors, I plan to access the pathway year round. For this reason, I would like to see the pathway be constructed with asphalt. This will provide a well delineated, safe and stable surface that can be accessed year round by all our residents – whether they are young children, seniors, or those with mobility issues.

I appreciate the environmental significance of the area and feel strongly that through well thought out pathway placement and construction, the social and environmental interests can be balanced. By employing public education information in the area, I have no doubt that the current and future residents of the area will be good stewards of this unique natural resource.

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Sincerely,


Tony Dagnone
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March 27, 2013

To the Chair and Members of the Planning and Environment Committee:

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I have been awaiting the completion of the Medway Valley Trail since 2008. I am aware that many options have been evaluated and discussed and that the city has sought public feedback along the way as I have attended every meeting and provided my input. I have also represented my community on the planning advisory group at two meetings.

As a mother of a child who relies on a wheelchair for mobility my position has not changed, I would like to see Option 4A – Continuous Link. When moving to this city we considered many factors before making a decision on where to build an accessible home that would meet our needs. One of the key factors was proximity to an accessible trail system, and we were assured by the development plans for the area that a suitable pathway was planned.

It has been disheartening that in 2013 (actually since the consultations began in 2011) I have had to continue to argue the merits and importance of universal access. The Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (2005) Built Environment Standard's goal is to **remove barriers in public spaces – including recreational trails – to make it easier for all Ontarians including people with disabilities, seniors and families to access the places where they work, travel, shop and play.** Why on earth are we having this debate in 2013 when several local residents/families have self identified that due to physical disabilities they will be negatively affected?

As local residents, my family plans to use this pathway for the community connections to the adjacent subdivisions and also for the physical, social and emotional benefits. As an active family that appreciates the outdoors, we plan to access the pathway year round. For this reason, anything short of asphalt will be in accessible to us. Mud, dirt, snow, gravel and ice are not ideal conditions for those who rely on wheelchairs for mobility.

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Sincerely,



Angela McGonigal
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March 25, 2013

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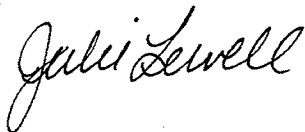
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Sincerely,



Julie Lewell
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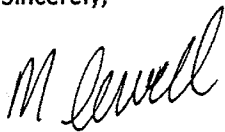
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Sincerely,



Michael Lewell
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March 24, 2013

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As a local resident, I plan to use this pathway for the community connections to the adjacent subdivisions it will bring and also for the physical, social and emotional benefits. As an active person who appreciates the outdoors, I plan to access the pathway year round especially when taking my children for a walk in the stroller or wagon. For this reason, I would like to see the pathway be constructed with asphalt. This will provide a well delineated, safe and stable surface that can be accessed year round by all our residents – whether they are young children, seniors, or those with mobility issues.

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Sincerely,

Tanya Cardoso

2071 Valleyrun Blvd.

March ²⁷~~28~~, 2013

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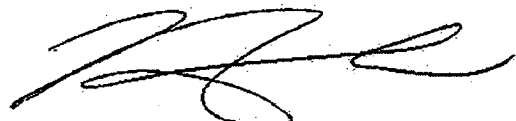
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Sincerely,



Roberta (Bobbi) Berard

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Peter Scott

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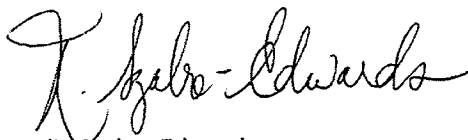
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Natalie Szabo-Edwards

2411 Waterside Close

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Shane Edwards

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Thank you for the opportunity to provide input into the Medway Valley Trail Discussion.

Our family recently decided to purchase a home in the Sunningdale area and we will be directly impacted by the recommendation the Planning and Environment Committee makes on this issue. For this reason, I hope that you will factor our input into your decision making process.

When my father was diagnosed with ALS, we began looking for a new home. Our current home in the Hunt Club neighbourhood is a 2 level 4 bedroom home. We knew that he would not be able to navigate the stairs much longer and so sought a home with a main floor bedroom. We chose to search in the Sunningdale neighbourhood specifically in the hopes of a continuous paved nature path as outlined in Option 4A. Our current neighbourhood does not offer a way for us to push a wheelchair through a natural area for more than about 500 meters. By our calculations, our property taxes will be approximately 20% higher in Sunningdale (adjusted to home value) than our current home and yet we chose this neighbourhood in hopes of a continuous link paved path. We recently bought a home on Sundance Place because we can link to this trail with a very short and safe walk.

We would guess that a gravel path would likely only be only used by mountain bikers and question how this would be better for the environment. We would also question the fairness of restricting the handicapped from this area.

Our family strongly supports Option 4A – continuous link.

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Sincerely,

Trevor and Kate Delaire
537 Sundance Place (effective May 31/2013)

March 26, 2013

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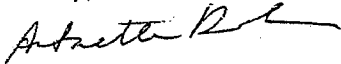
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Antionette De Lucia
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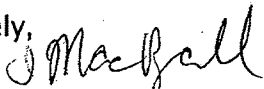
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Izabela MacDougall
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Councillor Hubert
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Thank you for this opportunity to provide input into the Medway Valley Trail Discussion. I am a 5 year resident of the Sunningdale neighbourhood on Valleyrun Blvd and I am writing this letter to provide my input since I feel I would be directly impacted by the recommendations the Planning and Environment Committee will make. I hope that you will factor my input into your decision making process.

I have been actively involved in this process and have been awaiting the completion of the Medway Valley Trail. I am aware of the many options and from the beginning have been a supporter of Option 4a- Continuous Link. My position on this has not changed. I feel that this option is the best option for our many families and individuals who use this path for physical, social and emotional well being.

As a local resident and senior, I plan to use this pathway for community connections to the adjoining subdivisions it will bring also for the physical, social and emotional benefits. As an active person who appreciates the outdoors, I plan to access the pathway year round. For this reason I would like to see the pathway to be constructed with asphalt. This will provide a well delineated, safe and stable surface that can be accessed year round by our residents- both young and old or people with mobility issues.

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Sincerely,

Peggy Schucht
477 Sundance Cres
London, Ontario

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I have been anxiously awaiting the completion of the Medway Valley Trail since moving into the neighbourhood three years ago. I am aware that many options have been evaluated and discussed and that the City has sought public feedback along the way. My position has not changed, I would like to see Option 4A - Continuous Link.

As a local resident with 4 year old twin children, I plan to use the pathway for the community connections to the adjacent subdivisions it will bring and also for the physical, social and emotional benefits. As an active person who appreciates the outdoors, I plan to access the pathway year round. For this reason, I would like to see the pathway be constructed with asphalt. This will provide a well delineated, **safe and stable** surface that can be accessed year round by **all** our residents - whether they are young children, seniors, or those with mobility issues. This is of particular concern to me, as a health care professional, the benefits of the outdoors should be experienced by **all** residents of the neighbourhoods as opposed to only those that are physically able. Many residents have injuries or physical limitations that would not allow them to walk or ride on an uneven surface. Consideration must be given to include this group of residents and the impact of excluding them from the trail system.

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Sincerely,



Dr. Michelle Tallon
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An Open Letter to:

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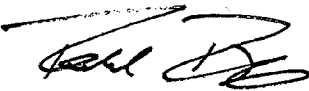
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Sincerely,



Todd Dixon

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N6G 0E9

March 27, 2013

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Ken and Lorie DiBernardo
1990 Valleyrun Blvd

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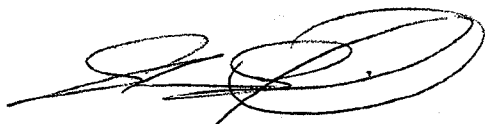
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I have been anxiously awaiting the completion of the Medway Valley Trail since purchasing my home in July 2009. There are many factors involved when choosing a location to build a home. One of the factors for my family was the approved Medway Valley Mater Plan that included a completely paved pathway.

As a resident of Sunningdale West Subdivision, my family plans to use the pathway for access to neighbouring subdivisions, nature walks etc. Considering the fact that I have young children, one of which is still in the stroller stage, using the pathway will be a challenge unless completely paved.

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Shaun Swift', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Shaun Swift and family
305 Cornelius Ct.

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Thank you for this opportunity to provide input into the Medway Valley Trail Discussion. I am a 6 year resident of the Sunningdale neighbourhood on Valleyrun Blvd and I am writing this letter to provide my input since I feel I would be directly impacted by the recommendations the Planning and Environment Committee will make. I hope that you will factor my input into your decision making process.

We have been actively involved in this process and have been awaiting the completion of the Medway Valley Trail. I am aware of the many options and from the beginning have been a supporter of Option 4a- Continuous Link. My position on this has not changed. I feel that this option is the best option for our many families and individuals who use this path for physical, social and emotional well being.

A major factor for us in buying our lot nearly 8 years ago from Wasko Developments, was the proposed pathways and joining of the various Sunningdale neighbourhoods. As an active family of 6, we have frequently used the current path for family walks and have walked to Sunningdale West neighbourhood on many occasions. I strongly feel that when a proper pathway is in place, the people enjoying them will stay on the paths and NOT walk into the ESA. Unfortunately, when a pathway is absent, people will attempt to find their own way through and cause more damage to this sensitive area. There are many, many families who enjoy the current asphalt path with their families and are respectful of the area. I believe that most people are environmentally conscientious these days and would not intentionally harm the ESA. However, a continuous pathway would ensure that people are staying on the path and decreasing the risk of this happening.

The Medway Valley is a beautiful and unique area and I feel privileged to be able to live here. I appreciate the environmental significance of the area and feel strongly that through well thought out pathway placement and construction, the social and environmental interests can be balanced.

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Sincerely,

Lori Robinson
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London, Ontario
N6G5M7

March 27, 2013

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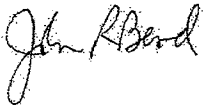
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John R. Bend
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Natalie & Glen Simonds'

10-725 Eagletrace Drive
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289 Cornelius Crt.

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(Name) *Angela Jones*

(Address) *569 Eagletrace Drive .*



March 25, 2013

City of London
300 Dufferin Street
London, Ontario

RE: PLEASE INCLUDE IN COUNCIL PACKAGE

This letter is to advise the council that our homeowner's living in Sunningdale subdivision were under the impression that there would always be a paved trail coming through that area for these people to use.

As a builder we have built 51 homes to date with the intention of having the paved trail being there.

As a builder, I am moving into this area expecting this paved trail would be there for my own children to use. The paved trail is part way now, so completing it is the only natural thing to do.

Regards

Doug Wastell
President
Wastell Builders Group

Petition of the Sunningdale West Residents Association on the Medway Valley Trail Planning Project

Whereas the 2005 Medway Valley Master Plan identified a 3.5 to 4.0 metre continuous multi-use asphalt pathway with five bridges and connections to adjacent communities be developed alongside Medway Creek and to be installed in conjunction with the sewer trunk installation;

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Whereas one in seven people in Ontario have a disability;

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Whereas the residents of the Sunningdale West Subdivision pay property taxes, some of which should be directed to provide the safe recreational paved pathway that the City had committed to;

Therefore be it resolved that the residents of the Sunningdale West Subdivision have organized themselves and formed the Sunningdale West Resident's Association to represent the resident's collective interests and demand the City of London finish the job they already started and implement Option 4A - by installing a continuous 3.0m multi-use asphalt pathway through the valley with one new bridge crossing.