

> From: Jeff Karn
> Sent: Monday, October 12, 2020 12:24 PM
> To: Raynor, Christopher <Christopher.Raynor@york.ca>
> Subject: Opening up Greenbelt for development
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> Good day Mr. Raynor.
> I recently became aware of the Region of York request to open up some Greenbelt land for economic development activities.
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> I am surprised by the short term vision demonstrated through this request.
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> We have no idea how our economy will react to the pandemic.
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> What we do know is this: (1) people need green space for exercise and connecting with nature now more than ever, and (2) development of green space does not help biodiversity or climate change efforts.
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> In the end the most valuable assets we have as a region will be our preserved lands and their richness; not parking lots, store fronts, roads, and facilities.
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> Please choose a wiser vision for our region and aim for a certain long term benefit in these uncertain times.
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> Kind regards,
> Jeff Karn