

May 10, 2021

To: Sandra-Garden Cole

Re: Application on behalf of WPM. Fares/ Monk Mobile Corporation, Dated April 29, 2021

Hi Sandra, I just wanted to take this moment to say Congratulations to yourself, Eleanor Roulston and Keith Ryno for “NOT” supporting the motion to bring forward, staffs recommendation to allow our community here in Enfield, the White Estates area to be developed into an apartment block.

For far too long the council has sided with “greedy developers” and what most “tax paying” citizens see as another “cash grab” and to mention putting aside “public safety” to put dollars in a developers pocket.

We as the citizens, elect our council to stand proud of our communities to ensure decisions are made with the most favourable outcome for all concerned. Let me mention, to just simply throw away a community plan and continually make “substantial amendments” to the land use bylaws makes me wonder why we ever had a plan at all.

I would be the first one to say that we need development for sustainability, but what we don’t need is development that hinders what we already have in place and forces persons already here to get fed up, sell their homes and leave.

One can say, “that’s ok” but what about all the negatives that arrive from those decisions?? People go away, with not a good word moving forward spoken about their experiences here in East Hants. I have lived here for the past 61 years, invested here, bought and sold several homes here, run for Council here, so I am not looking forward to sell our home and move to HRM.

This application should be struck down on its merits simply because we are told they made amendments from the first application that should make the second more palatable, I don’t think so, considering the density went from the 150’s to the 180’s, I ask how is that more palatable to the people who live here??

The idea of putting the “cart before the horse mentality” has to come to an end with planning. The idea that you can sell any kind of plan without having meaningful resolutions with regard to the already over burdened intersection of White Road and Highway # 2 is absurd to say the least. The current need for street lights and proper cross walks is already in front of you all and to say this is a Province issue is not even logical to say the least. This type of mentality, gets citizens “killed” when trying to make a safe journey out of this subdivision out onto a public road way. You are in fact holding the Province responsible for a problem that you as a council has created.

We need responsible development, that has the support of the public in general and the neighbouring communities. Not 4-6 storey apartment buildings which are “NOT” a fit for this particular area. They would be better suited to an area where new development is under construction, such as those property’s in Lantz. Enfield was our community of choice for several reasons, those reasons did “not” include in any shape or forum 6 storey apartments towering over the tops of our “higher end homes”.

We ask if council members would like these in their back yard or better yet in their “FRONT” yards???

I can assure you, no one is against development, they are against apartment buildings which were never in the plan when they came here to live in an area that was already planned. Changes don't have to be challenging, they just have to fit with the current infrastructure that is in place. Council were the ones to change the Zoning to "high density" in the first place, it's is now up to Council to change the Zoning on these Pids 45329901,45379864 and 45410503 back to meet what the community at large wants.

I have spoken to many concerned citizens on " East Hants Wants to Know" and our current web site for "Alderney Drive, Shamrock, White Road and everyone in between" with regard to this area becoming the designate " HIGH DENSITY" zone for the corridor. We all feel that this is both "unfair" and "unjust" in an area that was planned in the MPS for decades now.

PAC/Council needs to go "back" take a better look at what is happening here and come up with a more cohesive plan. We do know, you can't please everyone, you just have to make the majority comfortable that their best interest is at the forefront of all councillors.

This needs the attention of Councillors ASAP.

Thanking you all in advance, Kevin Ashley